

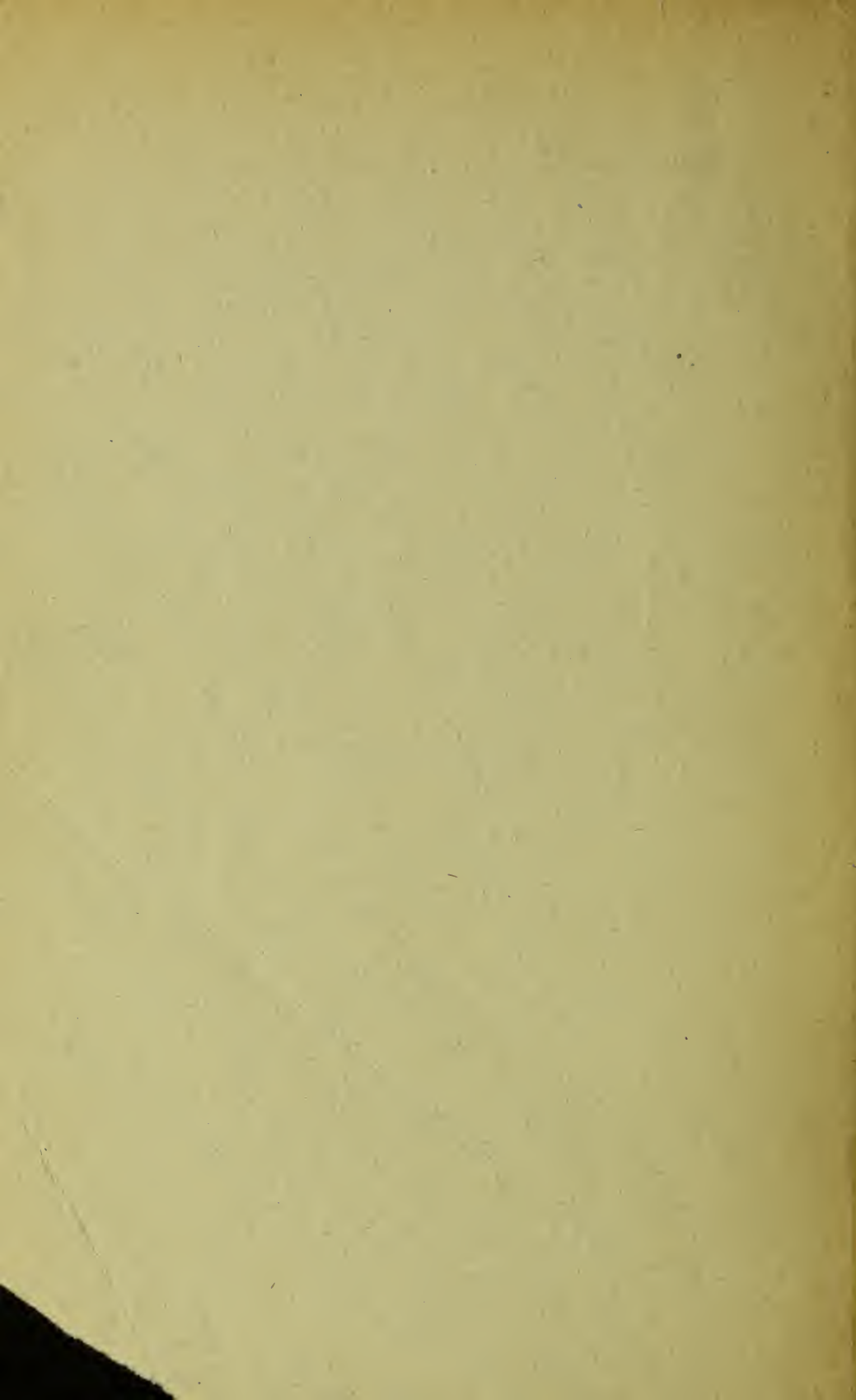
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

# Annual Reports

1944



Town of  
FAIRHAVEN







CENTER ST. NEAR TOWN HALL  
FAIRHAVEN LOOKING WEST  
AFTER HURRICANE SEPT. 14, 1944





# Annual Reports

For 1944



*Town of*

## FAIRHAVEN

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1945

# Fairhaven Massachusetts

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## General Information About the Town

Settled — 1653  
Incorporated as Town — February 22, 1812  
Population — 10,938  
Valuation — \$11,043,510  
Registered Voters — 5,729  
Tax Rate — \$35.00  
Area — 7,497 Acres  
Miles of Streets and Roads — Approximately 60  
Number of Dwellings — 3,706  
Churches — 8  
Public Schools — 6  
Private Schools — 3  
Shore Resorts  
Banks — 2  
(Fairhaven National Bank—Organized 1831  
(Fairhaven Inst. for Savings—Organized 1832

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## PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES

Ship Building	Fishing Industry
Winches & Fishing Machinery	Diesel Engine Repairing
Tack & Nail Making	Loom Crank Shafts
Pharmaceuticals	Toilet Preparations
Oil Refinery	

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## Benefactions of the late Henry H. Rogers

Millicent Library	Town Hall
High School	Rogers School
Fairhaven Water Works	
Unitarian Memorial Church	
Cushman Park	

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## Located

On The Shore of Buzzards Bay  
56 Miles from Boston                      1 Mile from New Bedford

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OFFICERS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN

COMPRISING THOSE OF THE

Town Clerk and Treasurer  
Collector of Taxes  
Assessors  
Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare  
Board of Health  
Board of Appeals  
Police Department  
Sealer of Weights and Measures  
Sewer Commissioners  
Park Commissioners  
Highway Department  
Safety Council  
Tree Warden  
Fire Engineers  
Building Inspector  
Planning Board  
School Committee  
State Audit  
Trust Fund Commissioners  
Board of Retirement  
and others

AND THE REPORT OF THE  
MILLCENT LIBRARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944



# List of Town Officers

## FOR THE YEAR 1944

### TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

William D. Champlin Term expires 1947

### TAX COLLECTOR

Thomas J. McDermott Term expires 1947

### DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

John F. Hennessy

### SELECTMEN AND BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Charles W. Knowlton Term expires 1945

\*Thomas W. Whitfield (deceased) Term expires 1946

Walter Silveira (to fill unexpired term)

Dr. Harold E. Kerwin Term expires 1947

### ACCOUNTING OFFICER AND SECRETARY TO THE BOARD

Claudia I. Schiller

### BOARD OF HEALTH

Dr. C. E. P. Thompson Term expires 1945

Dr. Filbert A. Silveira Term expires 1946

Clarence A. Terry Term expires 1947

### ASSESSORS

Clarence A. Terry Term expires 1945

Alfred F. Nye Term expires 1946

Christopher J. Birtwistle Term expires 1947

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

John S. Rogers, Jr. Term expires 1945

Elwyn G. Campbell Term expires 1945

Orrin B. Carpenter Term expires 1946

Frank M. Babbitt Term expires 1946

Edith E. Rogers Term expires 1947

George F. Braley Term expires 1947

### SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Lawrence B. Maxfield Term expires 1945

G. Winston Valentine Term expires 1946

John M. Reilly Term expires 1947

## COMMISSIONERS OF TRUST FUNDS

George B. Luther	Term expires 1945
Orrin B. Carpenter	Term expires 1946
Isaac N. Babbitt	Term expires 1947

## TREE WARDEN

John Jarvis	Term expires 1945
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## PLANNING BOARD

Herbert Candage	Term expires 1945
George A. Steele	Term expires 1945
Frank W. Morse	Term expires 1946
Charles R. Dugdale	Term expires 1946
William Tallman	Term expires 1947
Victor O. B. Slater	Term expires 1947
Arsene G. Duval	Term expires 1948
Kenneth R. Vining	Term expires 1948

## BOARD OF APPEALS

Stanley H. Packard	Howard Odiorne
Gilbert W. Tuell	Raymond T. Babbitt
Edwin H. Andrews	

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

### Members at Large

Manuel F. Silva	Harold L. Hoxie
Frederic J. Hayward	

### Precinct 1

William K. Wilson	Term expires 1945
Gilbert W. Tuell	Term expires 1946
Warren G. Pierce	Term expires 1947

### Precinct 2

Joseph Rogers	Term expires 1945
Robert C. Lawton	Term expires 1946
Pierce D. Brown	Term expires 1947

### Precinct 3

John T. Sutcliffe	Term expires 1945
Jules Provencher	Term expires 1946
F. Eben Brown	Term expires 1947

### Precinct 4

Walter F. Douglas	Term expires 1945
Wm. J. Fitzsimmons (deceased)	Term expires 1946
Albert E. Stanton (to fill unexpired term)	
Henry Howard	Term expires 1947

AUDITORS

Charles E. Shurtleff

Harold B. Dennie

Joseph H. Allen

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Alfred J. Tripanier

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

John Jarvis

SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM

Edward G. Spooner

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Edward G. Spooner

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Alfred J. Tripanier

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Samuel C. Barrett

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Clifton A. Hacker

ASSOCIATE INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Maurice Hanson

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

John M. Reilly

ASSOCIATE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Eben P. Hirst

FIELD DRIVER

Michael Kerns

FENCE VIEWERS

Alfred F. Nye

Christopher J. Birtwistle

INSPECTOR OF PETROLEUM

Augustus H. Xavier

MEASURES OF BARK AND WOOD

Alfred J. Tripanier

Carl J. Govoni

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Charles P. Thatcher



WHARFINGER

Frank J. Cunniff

SHELLFISH INSPECTOR

Joseph B. Goulart

BOARD OF RETIREMENT

William D. Champlin

George A. Greene

Claudia I. Schiller

CHIEF OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Norman D. Shurtleff

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Otis H. Tuttle

Term expires 1945

James F. Murray

Term expires 1946

Charles Stolte

Term expires 1947

William D. Champlin

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

Audell W. Monk

William T. Hernon

Abram H. Durfee

Charles H. Lawton

Edward G. Spooner

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Edward G. Spooner

DEPUTY CHIEF

Charles H. Lawton

TOWN PHYSICIAN

Dr. C. E. P. Thompson

SAFETY COUNCIL

Victor O. B. Slater

Raymond T. Babbitt

Norman D. Shurtleff

MODERATOR

Stanley H. Packard

1944

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS AT LARGE

35 Members

Babbitt, Frank M.

3 Fort St.

Term  
Expires  
1946

Braley, George F.

41 Laurel St.

1947

Brown, F. Eben

314 Main St.

1946

		Term Expires
Birtwistle, Christopher J.	122 Pleasant St.	1947
Campbell, Elwyn G.	84 Laurel St.	1945
Candage, Herbert L.	7 Ball St.	1945
Carpenter, Orrin B.	44 Huttleston Ave.	1946
Champlin, William D.	97 Fort St.	1947
Dugdale, Charles R.	288 Washington St.	1946
Dutton, Harold B.	140 Chestnut St.	1947
Duval, Arsene G.	348 Main St.	1948
Francis, Joseph F.	24 Fort St.	1944
Hoxie, Harold L.	50 Green St.	1945
Jarvis, John	134 Bridge St.	1945
Kerwin, Harold E.	31 Fort St.	1947
Knowlton, Charles W.	30 Elm Ave.	1945
Maxfield, Lawrence B.	91 Bridge St.	1945
McDermott, Thomas J.	25 Oak St.	1947
Morse, Frank W.	111 Chestnut St.	1946
Nye, Alfred F.	84 Green St.	1946
Packard, Stanley H.	25 Linden Ave.	1945
Potter, Mabel L.	409 Sconticut Neck Rd.	1945
Reilly, John M.	34 Bridge St.	1947
Rogers, Edith E.	62 Howland Rd.	1947
Rogers, John S., Jr.	120 Washington St.	1945
Silveira, Filbert A., Jr.	249 Green St.	1946
Silveira, Walter	248 Green St.	1946
Slater, Victor O. B.	145 No. Walnut St.	1947
Steele, George A.	53 Walnut St.	1945
Tallman, William	28 Fort St.	1947
Terry, Clarence A.	8 Middle St.	1945
Thompson, Charles E. P.	65 Center St.	1945
Valentine, G. Winston	28 Spring St.	1946
Vining, Kenneth Rogers	26 Green St.	1948
*Whitfield, Thomas W.	26 Green St.	1948

\*Deceased

### 51 Town Meeting Members—Precinct 1 For Three Years

		Term Expires
Buffinton, Arthur L.	11 Fort St.	1947
Faunce, Chester A.	31 Main St.	1947
Flathers, George A.	6 Pleasant St.	1947
Foster, Rufus A.	7 Fort St.	1947
Hagberg, John G.	71 Green St.	1947

		Term Expires
Hanlon, James J.	33 Green St.	1947
Hayward, Frederic J.	7 Green St.	1947
Hirschmann, Jack B.	9 Main St.	1947
Lawton, Charles H.	73 Centre St.	1947
McAuliffe, John L.	73 Chestnut St.	1947
Pierce, Warren G.	37 Laurel St.	1947
Pope, Harry L.	16 Fort St.	1947
Sherman, George E.	63 Laurel St.	1947
Tanner, William C.	26 Green St.	1947
Tuell, Gilbert W.	120 Laurel St.	1947
Wilbor, Alfred P.	92 Laurel St.	1947
Wilson, William K.	18 Laurel St.	1947

### For Two Years

Babbitt, Isaac N.	20 Fort St.	1946
Baylies, Wallace B.	26 Laurel St.	1946
Braley, Eli G.	38 Pleasant St.	1946
Browne, Henry DeW. H.	38 Walnut St.	1946
Brownell, Morris R.	12 Fort St.	1946
Covill, Raymond F.	13 Coe St.	1946
Downing, Chester M.	78 Chestnut St.	1946
Gidley, Philip T.	73 Green St.	1946
Hubbard, Fred R.	32 Union St.	1946
Moffett, Oscar T.	75 Cedar St.	1946
Monk, Audell W. Jr.	25 Green St.	1946
Morton, Linneaus W.	55 Main St.	1946
Paull, Alton B.	39 Union St.	1946
Radcliffe, Elmer M.	41 Fort St.	1946
Reed, Robert L.	65 Green St.	1946
Sisson, Charles H.	35 Main St.	1946
Tripp, Thomas A.	74 Green St.	1946

### For One Year

Adshead, Harold F.	76 Chestnut St.	1945
Ames, George B.	9 Fort St.	1945
Cowen, Edson S.	28 Middle St.	1945
Doran, Willis H.	61 Laurel St.	1945
Eldridge, Frank O.	43 Fort St.	1945
*Gidley, Henry T.	83 Laurel St.	1945
Gifford, Flavel M.	82 Fort St.	1945
*Goggin, James	23 Allen St.	1945
Keith, Frederic A., Jr.	89 Green St.	1945
Knox, Arthur R.	40 Green St.	1945



		Term Expires
Macomber, Russell F.	78 Laurel St.	1945
Nelson, Carl	48 Centre St.	1945
Pope, Nathaniel, 2nd	86 Laurel St.	1945
Sanders, Edward W.	107 Fort St.	1945
Shurtleff, Lewis T.	67 Green St.	1945
Swett, Warren L.	109 Laurel St.	1945
Terry, Clarence B.	22 Green St.	1945
Tripp, Stanley R.	101 Fort St.	1945

\*Deceased

## 54 Town Meeting Members—Precinct 2

### For Three Years

Anderson, Marjorie K.	182 Main St.	1947
Callahan, Frank	13 Elm St.	1947
DeGraw, John B.	26 Washington St.	1947
Dudgeon, Mabel N.	11 Lafayette St.	1947
Dunwoodie, Richard H.	6 Elm Ave.	1947
Fleming, Anna C.	141 Adams St.	1947
Hiller, George L.	51 Walnut St.	1947
Long, Gilbert E.	23 Francis St.	1947
Long, Helena A.	23 Francis St.	1947
Maguire, Clarence E.	26 Mulberry St.	1947
Perry, Edward E.	63 Larch Ave.	1947
Reed, James, Jr.	34 Linden Ave.	1947
Snedden, George A.	24 Larch Ave.	1947
Tyler, Caleb B.	3 Elm Ave.	1947
Webb, Mildred E.	149 Green St.	1947
Whitworth, Francis	8 Winslow Ct.	1947
Wilson, William E.	7 Elm Ave.	1947
Wing, Alfred B.	51 William St.	1947

### For Two Years

Almy, Tilson B.	142 Main St.	1946
Anderson, Louis B.	182 Main St.	1946
Besse, Eldred E.	36 Washington St.	1946
Card, William C.	109 Main St.	1946
Clark, Earl E.	27 Lafayette St.	1946
Dutton, Mabel O.	140 Chestnut St.	1946
Hillman, Elsie P.	49 Walnut St.	1946
Lincoln, Harold C.	241 Green St.	1946
Luther, Bradford W.	131 Laurel St.	1946

		Term Expires
Marston, James H. C.	191 Main St.	1946
Murray, Lauchlan W.	49 Walnut St.	1946
Parkinson, James	32 Linden Ave.	1946
Pierce, Harold U.	147 Chestnut St.	1946
Seaman, W. Virginia	31 Lafayette St.	1946
Shumway, Orsman A.	78 Washington St.	1946
*Whitfield, Joseph O.	11 Cherry St.	1946
Whiton, Kenneth E.	52 Walnut St.	1946
Wilde, Webster	26 Larch Ave.	1946

\*Deceased

### For One Year

Barrett, Samuel C.	138 Alden Rd.	1945
Brown, Pierce D.	35 Oxford St.	1945
Carpenter, William H.	36 Lafayette St.	1945
Eccleston, James	159 Green St.	1945
Fanton, Charles	215 Green St.	1945
Fryer, Everett T.	60 Elm Ave.	1945
Haydon, Ernest J.	112 Main St.	1945
Haydon, John E.	40 Larch Ave.	1945
Jepson, Frank A.	110 No. William St.	1945
Jordan, Catherine H.	155 Main St.	1945
Joseph, Charles	60 Linden Ave.	1945
Leadbetter, James M.	51 Walnut St.	1945
Marks, Tracy W.	163 Main St.	1945
Morse, Raymond A.	72 Elm Ave.	1945
Russell, Clarence S.	22 Spring St.	1945
Spooner, Edward G.	199 Main St.	1945
Tyler, Marion N.	3 Elm Ave.	1945
Wingate, William H.	232 Green St.	1945
Xavier, Augustus H.	1 Bridge St.	1945

### 54 Town Meeting Members—Precinct 3

#### For Three Years

Andrews, Joseph, Jr.	26 Alpine Ave.	1947
Benoit, Frank C.	8 Dover St.	1947
Benoit, Ulric A.	6 Winsor St.	1947
Bonneau, Frederick H.	32 Alpine Ave.	1947
Crowther, William	25 Sycamore St.	1947
Demanche, Alfred V.	37 Hawthorne St.	1947
Duarte, Manuel	73 Sycamore St.	1947
Krol, Frank J.	10 Newton St.	1947

		Term Expires
Mareiro, Antone	23 Milton St.	1947
Marsh, Walter	15 Morgan St.	1947
Medeiros, Antone	318 Alden Rd.	1947
Pacheco, Alfred J.	313 Main St.	1947
Rezendes, Manuel	3 Hawthorne St.	1947
Richards, William E.	19 Hedge St.	1947
Souza, Manuel R.	15 Alpine St.	1947
Teague, William H.	20 Winsor St.	1947
Thumudo, Mario	8 Morgan St.	1947
Woolley, John J.	4 Dover St.	1947

#### For Two Years

Avila, Frank	25 Newbury Ave.	1946
Benoit, William G.	17 Morton St.	1946
Bissonnette, Albert	6 Winsor St.	1946
Dana, Edith	200 Adams St.	1946
Elliot, George H.	41 Taber St.	1946
Hedge, Laura T.	174 Adams St.	1946
Henshaw, James	11 Sycamore St.	1946
Lemery, Irene M.	31 Garrison St.	1946
Meal, Lewis	22 Taber St.	1946
Nolin, Nelson F.	4 Coggeshall St.	1946
Regan, Daniel J.	28 Winsor St.	1946
Rimmer, Harold	32 Alpine Ave.	1946
Rocha, Antone, Jr.	20 Dover St.	1946
Sutcliffe, Joseph, Jr.	241 Adams St.	1946
Trepanier, Alfred J.	28 Morton St.	1946
Valley, Alice P.	299 Main St.	1946
Whalley, James H.	21 Garrison St.	1946
Whitworth, Percy	34 Kendrick Ave.	1946

#### For One Year

Areia, Joao L.	417 Main St.	1945
Dupont, Oscar A.	129 Sycamore St.	1945
Dupuis, Oscar L.	2 Dover St.	1945
Grindrod, William	236 Main St.	1945
Hammond, Edward F.	9 Cook St.	1945
Jachna, Walter P.	61 E. Coggeshall St.	1945
Montplaisir, Eddie H.	315 Main St.	1945
Norris, Robert R.	25 Garrison St.	1945
Polchlopek, Walter	60 E. Coggeshall St.	1945
Robinson, Laurence V.	5 W. Wilding St.	1945
Rogers, Edward	62 Howland Rd.	1945



		Term Expires
Rogers, John	225 Adams St.	1945
Rogers, William	253 Main St.	1945
Rose, Edward	16 Deane St.	1945
Rose, William	16 Hawthorne St.	1945
Silva, Albin S.	226 Adams St.	1945
Trepanier, Alfred, Jr.	315 Main St.	1945
Tulley, Allen B.	16 Garrison St.	1945

### 51 Town Meeting Members—Precinct 4

#### For Three Years

Austin, Reuben A.	544 Washington St.	1947
Barcellos, Frank	r65 Mill Rd.	1947
Brightman, Samuel T.	40 Rotch St.	1947
Cardoza, Manuel J.	Bx159 Sconticut Neck Rd.	1947
Cromwell, Charles E.	100 Center St.	1947
Darling, Arthur W.	212 Washington St.	1947
Dugdale, Harold R.	286 Washington St.	1947
Fisher, Milton O.	105 Pleasant St.	1947
Folger, Frank S.	83 Spring St.	1947
Fraits, Frank W.	43 Rotch St.	1947
Geagan, Thomas	32 Washburn St.	1947
Griffin, Warren F.	95 Pleasant St.	1947
Howard, William E.	5 Mill Road	1947
Keehn, Robert	41 Bay View Ave.	1947
Lewis, Manuel	620 Washington St.	1947
Saladino, Joseph A.	85 Bridge St.	1947
Van der Pol, Marinus	757 Washington St.	1947

#### For Two Years

Agnault, Theodore T.	399 Washington St.	1946
Babbitt, Raymond T.	71 Akin St.	1946
Blossom, Lewis F.	565 Washington St.	1946
Boroski, Louis T.	141 Pleasant St.	1946
Cory, Bertha S.	5 Weeden Rd.	1946
Cory, Clarence M.	5 Weeden Rd.	1946
Dean, William V.	776 Washington St.	1946
Delano, Allerton T.	453 Washington St.	1946
Ewing, Frederick F.	261 New Boston Rd.	1946
Goulart, Mary J.	747 Sconticut Neck Rd.	1946
Green, Donald	288 Washington St.	1946
Hazard, Charles B. Jr.	768 Washington St.	1946
Howard, Henry T.	267 New Boston Rd.	1946

		Term Expires
Maxfield, Charles A. Jr.	68 Akin St.	1946
Ohnesorge, Walter	276 Washington St.	1946
Rogers, Frank	22 Rotch St.	1946
Spooner, Bertha L.	28 Adams St.	1946
Thatcher, Charles P.	33 Rotch St.	1946

#### For One Year

Baldwin, Edward G.	361 Mulberry St.	1945
Bradley, Richard H.	456 Washington St.	1945
Chase, William H.	778 Washington St.	1945
Couture, Noel B.	245 New Boston Rd.	1945
Darling, Edgar William	25 Bay View Ave.	1945
Darling, Edgar Winfred	212 Washington St.	1945
Douglas, Walter F.	32 Summer St.	1945
*Fitzsimmons, William J.	112 Washington St.	1945
Gonsalves, Albert M.	200 Washington St.	1945
Govoni, Carl J.	140 Sconticut Neck Rd.	1945
Lawton, Harold R.	52 Rodman St.	1945
Lawton, Rose L.	52 Rodman St.	1945
Mathieson, Robert	97 Pleasant St.	1945
Oliver, Frank	23 Highland Ave.	1945
Rogers, Harry	99 Bridge St.	1945
Silva, Manuel F. Jr.	624 Sconticut Neck Rd.	1945
Souza, Anthony C.	13 Rogers St.	1945
Stanton, Albert E.	141 New Boston Rd.	1945

\*Deceased

## Report of the Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen organized on February 21, 1944 as follows: Dr. Harold E. Kerwin, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Bureau of Old Age Assistance and Board of Public Welfare. Thomas W. Whitfield, Clerk. Miss Claudia I. Schiller was appointed Secretary to the Board and Accounting Officer.

At the Annual Town Meeting held on March 4, a resolution was voted expressing the thanks of the townspeople to Mr. Clifton A. Hacker, who served faithfully, loyally and efficiently as Superintendent of Fire Alarm for forty-six years. Mr. Hacker's interest in better things for Fairhaven will long be remembered.

Our town lost a faithful Selectman in the death of Thomas W. Whitfield last April. Mr. Whitfield had served practically continuously for almost thirty years and as time passes on his deeds will stand out as a fine example of civic service to all town officials and to the townspeople as well. A special election was held July 19, 1944 and Mr. Walter Silveira was elected to serve the unexpired term of Mr. Whitfield.

*July 24, 1944*  
Your Board held a meeting on April 30 in regard to the purchase of War Bonds as per vote of the annual meeting. Invited to this meeting were Thomas A. Tripp, Isaac N. Babbitt, George B. Luther, Orrin B. Carpenter and William D. Champlin. The expert advice and assistance of these gentlemen was greatly appreciated by the Board and their suggestions as to the best buy in Bonds was followed.

At the annual meeting the Selectmen were instructed to petition the General Court relative to reducing the number of Town Meeting Members necessary to constitute a quorum. This matter was presented to the General Court through our Representative, F. Eben Brown, and should be acted upon this year.

Your Board appointed a Rehabilitation Committee to care for the needs of returning veterans of World War II. Members are Christopher J. Birtwistle, Thomas J. McDermott and Alfred F. Nye, all veterans of World War I.

The hurricane of September 14 did much damage to our town. Many areas were hidden by fallen fine old trees, debris and tangled masses of telephone and electric wires. Despite the fact that damage was greater than the hurricane of 1938 no lives were lost and minor injuries were few. The excellent cleaning work done by the Highway Department under Alfred J. Tripanier and the Tree Department under John Jarvis was indeed a credit to our town and both men and their crews deserve highest commendation for their task of restoration. At a special town meeting held on November 9, 1944 funds of \$74,975 were voted to care for this extensive hurricane damage.

Since the town voted to close the foot of Washington Street the Mullins Fishing Gear Corporation have gone ahead with the construction of their modern ice and freezing plant. We feel this new industry will certainly prove a big asset to our waterfront development and in addition the increased revenue received will benefit the taxpayers.

We thank the citizens, all departments and the various committees for their fine spirit of cooperation during the year and we refer you to the reports of the various departments under our supervision which follow.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. KERWIN, Chairman  
CHARLES W. KNOWLTON  
WALTER SILVEIRA







THOMAS W. WHITFIELD



## In Memoriam

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### Thomas W. Whitfield

Born February 14, 1882

Died April 26, 1944

SELECTMAN


1916 - 1944

#### A TRIBUTE

We pause at this time to pay fitting tribute to our colleague, the late Thomas W. Whitfield, who served almost thirty years as a member of the Board of Selectmen.

His sincerity, his willingness to help and his long record of honest service to our community will long be remembered by the citizens of Fairhaven as a strong link in the foundation of our progressive town.

Mr. Whitfield possessed an unusual sense of civic responsibility. Unselfishly he lent his influence to any cause that promised progress for Fairhaven. His ability made him a man respected; his achievements, a man admired; his loyalty and understanding sympathy, a man loved by those whose paths were close to his.







# Report of the Board of Public Welfare

The Board has supervised General Relief (Public Welfare), Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children and the Town Infirmary.

Miss Claudia I. Schiller is Supervisor and Mrs. Marion D. Stevens the Social Worker for the department.

In General Relief the case load was approximately the same as in 1943 but the total cost of relief was 16% higher.

Illness of the parent normally supporting the family has caused several applications for relief which was granted over a longer period than would be expected.

Old Age Assistance has been administered in accordance with the law which makes covering the budget of the recipient's needs mandatory. Budgets were covered for the entire year of 1944 whereas in 1943, when the law became effective, they were covered for a seven months' period only. We have been successful in obtaining the co-operation of legally liable children in making contributions to the support of recipients.

In Aid to Dependent Children some cases were closed due to older children in the family obtaining employment and earning wages sufficient for them to assume the burden of financial responsibility for the rest of the family. Those cases remaining on our rolls are families with small children who will need assistance for some time to come. The supervision given by the Department in matters of health, finances and social problems has been appreciated.

Eleven people have lived at the Infirmary during the year. The cost of maintenance was \$4,765.89 and the per capita cost \$11.08 per week.

Appended to this report are statistics pertaining to each category of relief under our supervision.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. KERWIN  
CHARLES W. KNOWLTON  
WALTER SILVEIRA

Board Members.

## GENERAL RELIEF

Families Aided during the year	28
Persons in Above Families	107
Single Resident Persons Aided	33
Children Boarded in Private Homes	5
Hospital Cases	13
Burials	1

## ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURES

### Administration

Clerical	\$1,469.55	
Printing, Stationery, Postage	7.50	
Office Expense	125.00	
Travel Expense	104.90	
All Other	6.20	
	<hr/>	\$1,713.15

### Relief

Groceries and Provisions	\$1,593.76	
Fuel	1,106.34	
Board and Care	762.39	
Medicine and Medical Care	1,300.18	
State Institutions	778.00	
Cash Grants	9,128.15	
Hospital Care	1,470.86	
Rent	993.00	
Clothing	363.17	
Burials	110.00	
Labor and Trucking	391.27	
All Other	82.75	
	<hr/>	\$18,079.87
Other Cities and Towns		1,463.96
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		\$21,256.98

### Reimbursements

State	\$4,041.40	
Cities and Towns	1,104.38	
Individuals	64.00	
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Total Reimbursements		\$5,209.78
Net Cost to Town		16,047.20
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Total Expenditures for Relief		\$21,256.98

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Cases Active January 1, 1944	221	
Opened During the Year	38	
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Total Cases Aided		259
Cases Closed	45	
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Cases Active December 31, 1944		214

## REASONS FOR CLOSING

Moved from Town	8	
To Public Institutions	2	
Working	1	
Relatives Supporting	4	
Died	28	
Sufficient Income	2	
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		45

## ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURES

Grants to Individuals	\$97,766.93	
Other Cities and Towns	892.85	
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Total Cost of Old Age Assistance		\$98,659.78
Administration		
Supervisor	\$847.16	
Clerks	897.03	
Social Worker	1,168.35	
Printing and Postage	176.49	
Office Supplies	58.43	
Telephone	7.35	
Travel and All Other	108.61	
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Total Cost of Administration		\$3,263.42
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Total Expenditures		\$101,923.20

## ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand January 1, 1944		
Federal Grants for Aid		761.43
Federal Grants for Administration		220.82
Cancelled Checks		267.44
Appropriation for Aid	\$55,000.00	
Appropriation for Administration	1,800.00	
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		\$56,800.00

Federal Grants Received in 1944	
For Aid	\$42,631.02
For Administration	1,420.95
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	\$44,051.97
Total Receipts	<hr/>
	\$102,101.66

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

### COST TO TOWN

Total Expenditures		\$101,923.20
Reimbursements		
Federal Government	\$44,051.97	
State	39,659.50	
Cities and Towns	3,087.87	
Individuals	7.76	
	<hr/>	\$86,807.10
Net Cost to Town		<hr/>
		\$15,116.10

## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

	Families	Children
Cases Active January 1, 1944	17	39
Opened During the Year	4	8
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Total Cases Aided	21	47
Closed	6	15
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Active Cases December 31, 1944	15	32

## ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURES

Grants to Families—Cash		\$14,384.17
Administration		
Supervisor	\$343.20	
Social Worker	181.65	
Clerks	272.65	
Office Supplies	30.00	
Telephone and All Other	27.90	
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Total for Administration		\$855.40
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		\$15,239.57



## ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand January 1, 1944		
Federal Grant for Assistance	\$1,842.93	
Federal Grant for Administration	194.52	
	<hr/>	\$2,037.45
Appropriations in 1944		
For Aid	\$9,720.00	
For Administration	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,020.00
Federal Grants		
For Aid	\$2,848.54	
For Administration	426.30	
	<hr/>	\$3,274.84
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		\$15,332.29

## COST TO TOWN

Total Expenditures		\$15,239.57
Reimbursements		
Federal Government	\$3,274.84	
State	4,773.08	
	<hr/>	\$8,047.92
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Net Cost to Town		\$7,191.65

# Treasurer's Report

## CASH ACCOUNT — 1944

Receipts		Payments
\$ 19,984.71	January	\$ 42,971.72
14,490.05	February	39,722.48
80,589.43	March	64,166.01
54,137.65	April	43,572.42
18,600.60	May	51,714.56
112,279.39	June	96,372.84
101,744.03	July	38,532.59
38,878.71	August	30,942.18
66,540.67	September	49,510.98
116,585.42	October	103,381.45
128,331.84	November	134,173.58
81,833.50	December	124,185.00
75,728.51	Jan. 1, 1944 Balance Jan. 1, 1945	90,478.70
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\$909,724.51		\$909,724.51
Selectmen's Warrants—		
Jan. 1, 1944 to Dec. 31, 1944		\$819,245.81
Cash on hand January 1, 1945		\$90,478.70

# Tax Title Account

1944

Tax Titles on hand January 1, 1944		\$47,232.68
Additions to Tax Titles—		
Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1944		5,134.56
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		\$52,367.24
Abatements	\$62.51	
Audit Adjustments	32.77	
Disclaimers	2,117.73	
Foreclosures	1,906.36	
Redemptions	3,150.48	7,269.85
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Balance Jan. 1, 1945		\$45,097.39

## TAX POSSESSION ACCOUNT - 1944

Tax Possessions on hand January 1, 1944		\$21,470.07
Added to Tax Possessions—		
Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1944		1,796.72
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		\$23,266.79
Tax Possessions Sold to Individuals		3,580.49
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Balance Jan. 1, 1945		\$19,686.30

**REPORT OF THE OUTSTANDING DEBT of the TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN, MASS.  
for the FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944**

Date of Issue	Purpose of Loan	Reg. or Coupon	Rate %	Date of Maturity	Amt. of Annual Payment	Amount Outstanding
Nov. 1, 1906	N. B. - Fairhaven Bridge	Coupon	4	1948	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00
Nov. 1, 1931	High School Addition	Coupon	4	1949	10,000.00	50,000.00
Dec. 1, 1939	Refunding Storm Damage Loan Chapter 44 - Clause 9 - Section 8		1¾	1943	4,000.00	16,000.00
July 25, 1940	Chapter 49 - Acts of 1933 Tax Title Loan		1			13,662.63
Jan. 1, 1940	Sconticut Neck Water Project		2	1971	3,500.00	58,500.00
Dec. 1, 1944	Storm Damage Loan of 1944		.45	1945		20,000.00
Dec. 1, 1944	Storm Damage Loan of 1944		.50	1946		20,000.00
						<u>\$182,162.63</u>



## Debt and Interest to be Paid in 1945

	Debt	Interest
N. B. - Fairhaven Bridge	\$1,000.00	\$160.00
Addition to High School	10,000.00	2,000.00
Chapter 49 - Acts of 1933		136.63
Refunding Storm Damage Loan	4,000.00	280.00
Sconticut Neck Water Loan	3,500.00	1,135.00
Storm Damage Loan of 1944	20,000.00	90.00
Storm Damage Loan of 1944		100.00
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	\$38,500.00	\$3,901.63
Due on Debt	\$38,500.00	
Interest on Town Debt	3,901.63	
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	42,401.63	
Estimated Interest on Revenue Loans	700.00	
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		\$43,101.63

## Trust Funds

1944

### HENRY H. ROGERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FUND

	Principal	Interest
Fairhaven Institution for Savings	\$10,953.00	\$273.82
Fairhaven Institution for Savings	1,262.12	31.56
The Citizens Savings Bank of Fall River	5,000.00	125.00
Union Savings Bank of Fall River		50.00
N. B. Five Cent Savings Bank	10,000.00	250.00
The Wareham Savings Bank	4,148.96	102.96
Bass River Savings Bank	4,000.00	85.00
Fall River Savings Bank		40.00
Bristol County Savings Bank	1,867.14	28.00
Nantucket Institution for Savings	2,477.65	49.54
Middleboro Savings Bank	2,000.00	30.00
Securities in National Bank of Fairhaven:		
National Shawmut Bank of Boston	15,231.25	500.00

First National Bank of Boston	5,025.00	200.00
N. B. Co-operative Bank	2,000.00	60.00
Acushnet Co-operative Bank	2,000.00	75.00
Mt. Washington Co-operative Bank	2,000.00	60.00
Mt. Washington Co-operative Bank	2,000.00	60.00
Workingmen's Co-operative Bank	2,000.00	50.00
Workingmen's Co-operative Bank	2,000.00	50.00
Boston & Albany R. R. Co.	8,000.00	340.00
U. S. Defense Bond Series G.	10,500.00	262.50
U. S. Defense Bond Series G.	10,000.00	250.00
U. S. Defense Bond Series G.	10,000.00	55.03
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Transferred to School	\$112,465.12	3,028.41
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Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$112,465.12	

#### EDMUND ANTHONY JR. SCHOOL FUND

	Principal	Interest
N. B. Institution for Savings	.....	\$ 100.00
U. S. Defense Bond Series G.	\$10,000.00	55.03
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		\$ 155.03
Transferred to School		\$ 155.03
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Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$10,000.00	

#### ABNER PEASE SCHOOL

	Principal	Interest
N. B. Institution for Savings	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 100.00
N. B. Five Cent Savings Bank	2,558.12	63.96
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		\$ 163.96
Transferred to Schools		\$ 163.96
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Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$ 7,558.12	

#### HENRY H. ROGERS HIGH SCHOOL FUND

	Principal	Interest
City Bank and Farmers Trust Co.	\$498,791.74	\$14,886.80
Transferred to School		\$14,886.80
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Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$498,791.74	

### JAMES RICKETTS TRUST FUND

	Principal	Interest
N. B. Institution for Savings	\$ 1,430.66	\$ 28.60
Transferred to Riverside Cemetery & Infirmary		\$ 28.60
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Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$ 1,430.66	

### JULIA A. STODDARD TRUST FUND

	Principal	Interest
Fairhaven Institution for Savings	\$ 236.17	\$ 5.56
First National Bank of Boston	10,276.25	410.00
Central Maine Power Company	11,000.00	385.00
U. S. Defense Bond Series G.	1,000.00	12.50
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	\$22,512.42	\$ 813.06
Paid to Recipients		\$ 813.06
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Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$ 22,512.42	

### HANNAH CHADWICK TRUST FUND

	Principal	Interest
Fairhaven Institution for Savings	\$ 500.00	\$ 12.50
Transferred to Estimated Receipts		\$ 12.50
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Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$ 500.00	

### POST WAR PLANNING FUND

	Principal	Interest
U. S. Defense Bonds Series G.	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 90.78
Fairhaven Institution for Savings	176.88	1.47
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	\$33,176.88	\$92.25
Deposited in Fairhaven Institution for Savings	92.25	\$ 92.25
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Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$ 33,269.13	

# Report of Trust Fund Commissioners

The Trust Fund Commissioners make the following report for the year 1944.

A \$1,000 United States Savings Bond Series G 2½% was purchased in January to replace a \$1,000 Central Maine Power Co. 3½% General Mortgage bond which was called for payment in 1943. We also bought \$10,000 U.S. Treasury 2½% bonds of 1965-70 for the H. H. Rogers Elementary School Fund and a like bond for the Anthony Fund in the same amount. The funds for these purchases were withdrawn from deposits in different savings banks.

GEORGE B. LUTHER  
ORRIN B. CARPENTER  
ISAAC N. BABBITT

## Report of Tax Collector

For the year ending December 31st, 1944

### 1944 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Committed	\$353,781.40
Refunded	333.55
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	\$354,114.95
Collected	\$317,634.65
Abated	2,052.37
Added to Tax Title	223.30
Balance due	34,204.63
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	\$354,114.95

### 1943 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Balance January 1, 1944	\$ 35,697.54
Refunds	231.22
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	\$ 35,928.76
Collected	\$ 26,442.98
Added to Tax Title	3,961.98
Balance due	5,523.80
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	\$ 35,928.76

### 1942 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Balance January 1, 1944	\$ 8,023.12
Collected	\$ 7,321.42
Added to Tax Title	5.95
Abated	211.75
Tax Sale	484.00
Balance due	.00
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	\$ 8,023.12

### 1944 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Committed	\$ 32,741.45
Collected	\$ 31,851.75
Abated	251.30
Balance due	638.40
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	\$ 32,741.45

### 1943 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Balance January 1, 1944	\$ 940.17
Collected	\$ 663.34
Abated	252.12
Balance due	24.71
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	\$ 940.17

### 1942 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Balance January 1, 1944	\$ 53.28
Collected	\$ 37.10
Abated	16.18
Balance due	.00
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	\$ 53.28

### 1944 POLL TAXES

Committed	\$ 7,464.00
Collected	\$ 5,488.00
Abated	1,956.00
Balance due	20.00
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	\$ 7,464.00



# 1943 POLL TAXES

Balance January 1, 1944	\$	122.00
Collected	\$	60.00
Abated		62.00
Balance due		.00
	\$	122.00

# 1942 POLL TAXES

Balance January 1, 1944	\$	28.00
Collected	\$	10.00
Abated		18.00
Balance due		.00
	\$	28.00

# 1944 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Committed	\$	11,244.66
Collected	\$	10,839.78
Abated		208.08
Balance due		196.80
	\$	11,244.66

# 1943 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Balance January 1, 1944	\$	217.39
Collected	\$	189.77
Abated		27.62
Balance due		.00
	\$	217.39

# 1944 VESSEL EXCISE

Committed	\$	640.04
Collected	\$	559.69
Abated		20.34
Balance due		60.01
	\$	640.04

# 1943 VESSEL EXCISE

Balance January 1, 1944	\$	15.01
Collected	\$	15.01
Balance due		.00
	\$	15.01

## 1942 VESSEL EXCISE

Balance January 1, 1944	\$	120.67
Collected	\$	120.67
Balance due		.00
	\$	120.67

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. McDERMOTT,  
Tax Collector  
for the Town of Fairhaven.

January 2, 1945.

## Report of the Shellfish Inspector

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the ensuing year:

This year has been very successful to fishermen in taking Scallop, Clams and Quahaugs. Also to the Town's people who take shellfish for their family use.

Shellfish beds that are producing very rapidly are: Little Bay, Stony Cove and Jack's Cove, which are on the east side of Sconticut Neck.

No seed was secured from the Department of Marine Fisheries for planting due to the shortage of man power.

The new Shellfish By-Laws have proved very satisfactory in helping maintain a better shellfish industry and also bringing a bigger revenue to the Town. This industry has hit well over the \$100,000 this year, an increase of 50 per cent over last year.

There were no shellfish prosecutions. All cases were carefully checked.

Total number of licenses and permits granted were as follows:

68 Shellfish Com. Fishermen License	@ \$2.50	\$170.00
43 Shellfish Com. Dredging License	@ 5.00	215.00
66 Shellfish Com. Scallop License	@ 2.50	165.00
41 Non Resident Family Permits	@ .50	20.50
674 Resident Family Permits	No Fee	
Total		<u>\$570.50</u>

I would like to extend my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen and also to the townspeople for their cooperation with this Department and the Shellfish Inspector.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH B. GOULART,  
Shellfish Inspector.

## Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Jan. 4, 1945

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending Dec. 31, 1944 during which time the following devices were tested and sealed or condemned.

Scales	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Con-demned
Platform	12	48	4	11
Counter Platform	2	5		
Counter	7	42		4
Beam	2	4		
Spring	21	72	5	6
Computing	23	41	5	
Personal		7		1
Prescription		2		
<b>Weights</b>				
Avoirdupois	48	396		3
Apothecary	2	16		
Metric		26		

## Volumetric Measures

Liquid over 1 Gal.	15
Liquid Measures	65
Dry Measures	5
Fuel Baskets	2
Oil Jars	1

## Measuring Devices

Gasoline Pumps		2	1	1
Stops on Pumps	1	16		
Gasoline Meter Systems	16	31	11	1
Tank Truck Meters	2	4	1	
Oil Pumps	2	19	23	1
Kerosene Pumps		9	3	
Grease Pumps		3	1	

## Linear Measures

Yard Sticks	3
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Sealing fees collected and turned into  
Town Treasurer

\$96.29

## No. of Reweighings of Commodities Sold or Put up For Sale

	Tested	Correct	Under	Over
Bread	122	120	2	
Butter	23	20	2	1
Oleomargarine	66	66		
Coal (in paper bags)	118	36	46	36
Confectionery	93	23		70
Flour	78	69	2	7
Dry Commodities	273	242	9	22
Grain and feed	63	51	2	10
Lard	82	81	1	
Liquid Commodities	10			10
Meats and Provis ons	137	137		
Potatoes	106	70	4	32

## Summary of Inspections

Paper or fibre cartons	28
Pedlers licenses	4
Milk jars	129

**Marking of**

Food Pkgs.	227
Bread	164
Coal in paper bags	144
Charcoal in paper bags	7
Kindling in paper bags	104
Wholesale milk cans	83
Transient vendors	1
Ice scales	3
Junk scales	3
Oil jars	230
Other inspections	61

**Number of test made**

Retest on gasoline devices	
after sealing	19
Mfrs. sealed milk jars	12
Oil jars	10
Approved paper cartons	21

Again I wish to thank all the various officials for the support extended to me during the past year.

**Appropriation recommended for 1945 as follows:**

Salary	\$700.00
Transportation	200.00
Equipment & Supplies	45.00
Tel., Postage, Printing	10.00
Convention & Travel	25.00
Sealers Helper	20.00
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	\$1,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. P. THATCHER,  
Sealer of Weights & Measures.



# Report of Water Commissioners

The Water Commissioners submit herewith their second annual report of the Sconticut Neck Water System. Twenty-one new services were installed in 1944 making a total of 91 takers in all.

## ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATION

Foreman	\$106.68	
Water Services	196.00	
Purchase of Water	478.74	
Repairs	20.59	
Tools	13.50	
	<hr/>	\$815.51

## RECEIPTS

Metered Rates	\$1,149.64	
Meters and Services	682.85	
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## ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Water Rates	\$7.73	
Water Services	18.50	
	<hr/>	\$26.23

Respectfully submitted

HAROLD E. KERWIN  
CHARLES W. KNOWLTON  
WALTER SILVEIRA

# Report of Fairhaven Committee on Street and Highway Safety

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

It is with a great deal of pleasure to report there were no traffic deaths during 1944, although there has been a rise in accidents.

The following table sets forth the accident record for the past twelve years.

Year	Accidents	Deaths	Total Injured	Pedestrians Injured
1933 .....	54	2	97	25
1934 .....	52	3	83	25
1935 .....	47	0	73	20
1936 .....	54	1	96	11
1937 .....	77	0	118	31
1938 .....	79	2	114	10
1939 .....	60	0	85	18
1940 .....	61	0	83	11
1941 .....	65	1	88	15
1942 .....	34	0	48	10
1943 .....	38	1	57	18
1944 .....	48	0	65	8

A continuation of low automotive insurance rates can only be enjoyed as long as we continue to observe all safety rules and regulations.

Several of the accidents occurred because those involved decided to take a chance. Accidents will happen at times in spite of our good intentions. But, if because of foolishness or otherwise, an accident should always be considered a potential death or worse. So why not try to welcome back home those who are fighting for us with a fine safety record for 1945?

It is happier to live in safety than in a wheel chair or with a memory.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR O. B. SLATER, Chairman

NORMAN D. SHURTLEFF,  
Chief of Police

# Report of Fairhaven Board of Retirement

Jan. 11, 1945.

The Fairhaven Contributory Retirement System closes the year 1944 with 33 active members, 10 on retirement.

Four active members are on military leave.

The following schedule shows the operations summarized:

## Income for 1944

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1944	\$23,429.46	
Contributions from members	2,151.90	
Appropriation of Town	8,952.21	
Interest Received	448.08	
	<hr/>	\$34,981.65

## Disbursements

Pensions Paid	\$ 5,525.87	
Refunds	1,055.75	
Expenses	305.51	\$ 6,887.13
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Balance on Hand		\$28,094.52

\$21,000 of the balance on hand is invested in United States War Bonds.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. GREENE

CLAUDIA I. SCHILLER

WM. D. CHAMPLIN

# Report of the Town Forest Committee

To the Citizens of the Town of Fairhaven:

No money was requested for the year 1944 but in the East Fairhaven area the committee planted approximately 300 trees to replace those that did not grow in the previous year's planting. About 100 other seedlings that were

heeled under for a week were stolen from the area before they could be put into the ground.

The survey and blueprint made by Mr. Corse of the thirty-two acre Turkey Grove area was a welcome help in definitely locating that area.

It is planned by the committee that if the post war plans mature, and help is available, to remove brush and dead trees from this area and to plant evergreens here.

The article in this year's warrant, if accepted, will add seven more acres to the Turkey Grove area. If any owner of brush land in this area would like to make a gift of their land to the town to be included in the Town Forest—their public spirited act will be much appreciated.

It is the hope of the committee that all this wood land will, eventually, be in the Town Forest and can gradually be developed and improved as a source of pleasure and profit for the Town.

WALLACE B. BAYLIES, Chairman  
MABEL L. POTTER  
VICTOR O. B. SLATER

## Report of Inspector of Slaughter

373 Alden Rd.  
Fairhaven, Mass.  
December, 30, 1944.

To the Board of Health  
Town Hall  
Fairhaven, Mass.

I herewith submit my annual report. There were forty-six inspections made. All animals passing inspection. One cow was killed by coming in contact with a line fence. The carcass was boiled and fed to hogs.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY STEVENS,  
Inspector of Slaughter.

# Report of the Board of Health

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

The Board of Health hereby submits the annual report for the year ending December 31, 1944.

The Board has held periodical meetings during the year. The office has been open every morning from nine until ten o'clock, unless the executive officer was making inspections or carrying on other duties connected with the Board. Mr. Clarence Terry, a member of the Board, has been available in the Assessors' office during the remainder of the day.

The following diseases dangerous to public health have been reported and investigated:

Chicken Pox	10
Dog Bites	24
Meningitis	1
Pneumonia	2
Measles	26
German Measles	1
Mumps	3
Scarlet Fever	3
Tuberculosis	2
Diphtheria	1
Whooping Cough	17
Eye Infections	4
Infantile Paralysis	1
Trichinosis	1
Undulant Fever	1

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The restrictions on contagious diseases, as regards carding and quarantine, have been altered again this past year, due to new Federal and State regulations. Copies of these new regulations have been placed in the schools and with officials who are concerned with their enforcement. The number of contagious diseases and illnesses in general has not been extraordinarily large this past year, in spite



of wartime conditions. The Board has again managed to stay well within its budget.

The collection of garbage this year was carried out efficiently and satisfactorily in spite of an extreme shortage of labor. All complaints have been quickly investigated and the condition corrected.

Mr. John Reilly, the plumbing inspector and agent of this Board, has cooperated with us most satisfactorily on various problems.

During the year we issued 92 burial permits, 2 pasteurization licenses, 10 alcohol licenses, 6 oleo, 2 ice cream, 67 milk and 1 camp license.

We have had 4 patients at Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital and 1 patient at Lakeville State Sanitorium during the past year. There have been 29 tuberculosis contacts x-rayed in the past year.

In the Board of Health Clinic 189 children were immunized against diphtheria and 107 were vaccinated against smallpox.

The Board of Health sponsors the Dental Clinic which is under the supervision of the school nurse, Miss Louise Fleming. This Clinic is held each Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:30 to 11:30. The first four grades were examined at the beginning of the school year. Pupils of all grades are allowed to come to the Clinic. The summary of the work done in this Dental Clinic in the past year is as follows: 156 fillings; 111 cleanings; 8 examinations; 4 treatments.

Samuel Barrett, animal inspector, and Henry Stevens, slaughter inspector, have performed their usual good work for this Board.

Mrs. Horne and Miss Fleming, who were appointed acting agents for the Board of Health, have discharged their duties most completely and effectively.

The Board also wishes to express its appreciation to the community nurses, and the police department for their invaluable assistance and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. SILVEIRA, JR., M.D.  
Secretary and Exec. Officer.

# Report of Building Inspector

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Building Department submits the following report for the year 1944:

There were 290 permits applied for and issued from this department as follows: 49 dwellings, 3 barns, 39 garages, 4 brooder houses, 31 relocations and rebuilding, 97 additions, 25 sheds, 16 henhouses, 1 milk house, 1 boat house, 4 bath houses, 1 sawdust house, 2 fish freezing plants, 1 bowling alley relocated and reconstructed and there were 16 buildings razed.

The ban placed by the W. P. B. is still in effect and there were many who applied for permits to build, when told of this ban, decided to wait until later. It is surprising, however, to note what some people can do for the sum allowed, namely \$200.00. Of course this ban does not include vital industries and farmers are allowed to use more of the restricted materials than other would-be builders. As some of the restrictions may be lifted in this coming year, it is hoped that more persons wishing to build small homes for themselves, will be allowed to do so.

There were 74 more permits issued this year, in spite of the ban and the department has estimated the cost of this building at the sum of \$105,557.00, \$43,227.00 more than for the year 1943. Of course, this estimate is what the applicant placed on application to build and not the Inspector's or Assessor's valuation.

## Plumbing Inspection

There were 196 Plumbing permits issued from this office in the year 1944. This number is 113 more than in 1943.

## Title and Scope

Section #1. These by-laws shall be known and cited as the building laws. No building, structure or part thereof, shall hereafter be constructed and no building or structure

now or hereafter erected shall be razed or built upon except in conformity with the provisions of these Building Laws. Nor shall plumbing, gas-piping, drainage, heating, wiring or ventilation be installed or altered in any building except in conformity herewith.

All plumbing permits will be issued from the office of the Building Inspector in the future. .

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED J. TRIPANIER,

Building Inspector.

## Report of Health Nursing Service

To the Board of Selectmen:

Fairhaven, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Public health nursing is an organized community resource for furthering public health measures designed to prevent and reduce sickness and to produce positive health. The contribution of the public health nurse is essentially educational, whether her service is given in the form of nursing care to the sick or health guidance and instruction to the sick and well.

The appropriation from the town for health nursing services made it possible to make the following visits during the year 1944:

Communicable Diseases	182	Visits
Child Welfare	2,399	"
Tuberculosis	337	"
Total	2,918	

The appropriation paid for 56½% of the above visits, the remaining visits were free.

The Town paid for 241 bedside nursing visits to Old Age Assistance Recipients.

Active cases of tuberculosis have been hospitalized and the contacts have been checked-up periodically. Twenty-nine tuberculosis contacts were taken to State Sanatoria for X-rays and examinations. Many others have had periodic examinations by their family physicians.

Assistance was given at the following clinics held under the supervision of the Board of Health:

Diphtheria Toxoid Clinic—189 children were inoculated.

Vaccination Clinic—107 children were vaccinated.

The Board of Health Executive Officer has been most helpful in reporting some of the new laws and policies of the Commonwealth, as they affect those doing public health nursing.

To all who have assisted and co-operated, appreciation is hereby expressed.

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH B. HORNE, R. N.,

Agent of the Board of Health.

# Report of the Planning Board

Board of Selectmen,  
Fairhaven, Massachusetts.

Dear Sirs:

The annual report of the Planning Board for the year 1944 is submitted below:

The Board held but few meetings during the year, due to the abnormal situation created by the war and its effect on the personnel of the Board. Very few planning matters connected with the Town were presented to the Board, as everyone's efforts and thoughts were engaged in the more important matters concerning the war effort.

Our annual High School Planning Contest was again eliminated because of the pressure on all Board members due to war conditions, but this annual contest will most certainly be revived after the war is over.

Yours respectfully,

V. O. B. SLATER, Chairman  
G. A. STEELE, Secretary  
WILLIAM TALLMAN  
H. L. CANDAGE  
C. R. DUGDALE  
F. W. MORSE  
K. R. VINING  
ARSENE DUVAL



# Report of Fire Engineers

January 31, 1945.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Fairhaven, Massachusetts.  
Gentlemen:

The Board of Fire Engineers herewith presents its annual report for the year 1944.

During the year this Department responded to 197 Still Alarm calls, 37 Box Alarms and 1 Blackout Alert; a total of 235 calls. Four Still Alarm calls were converted to Box Alarms and four Box Alarms were recorded as False Alarms.

The three stations of this Department are in good condition with the exception of some replacements of shingles, etc., due to recent hurricane damage, and painting that should be done during the coming Spring season.

The apparatus and equipment are in good condition and are being properly maintained. The equipment loaned to Civilian Defense is properly housed and constantly kept in condition for immediate use.

Practice sessions of the different units of this Department were maintained but due to existing conditions curtailment was evident.

The Protecting Society, Senior and Junior Auxiliary units of the Department have continued to render valuable aid to the Fire Department and are to be commended for their fine spirit and loyalty.

We regret the passing of two valuable, enthusiastic and reliable members whose many years of service covered a span of forty-one years. The efforts of Joseph O. Whitfield and William H. Carpenter to promote the welfare and success of the Fairhaven Fire Department will long be remembered.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS  
EDWARD G. SPOONER, Chief  
CHARLES H. LAWTON  
WILLIAM T. HERNON  
AUDELL W. MONK

# Report of Superintendent of Fire Alarm

January 16, 1945

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Fairhaven Town Hall,  
Fairhaven, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The annual report of the Fire Alarm Dept, for 1945 is as follows:

A new Gamewell Excelsior type register was installed in Station 3 in North Fairhaven. This register has given perfect service in recording alarms.

The Fire Alarm system was almost entirely put out of commission by the Hurricane of Sept. 14th, three quarters of the Forty miles of overhead construction was torn down and parts of the system burned out by stray electric current from other sources.

Through the foresight of Mr. C. A. Hacker we had a reserve supply of wire, cross arms, and hardware which made it possible to replace some of the broken sections immediately. Wire and other construction material were impossible to obtain at this time from any source.

The entire system was put in usable condition by Sept. 17th through the use of emergency hook ups and the ceaseless efforts of Frank Rogers and those who helped him. Our reserve of material was soon used up and temporary repairs had to be made to put the different circuits in working order. There are still some sections of the system that must be replaced this Spring.

A new Register should be installed in the East Fairhaven Station to replace the old one which is nearly worn out. It is antiquated, undependable and about forty years old.

The replacement of a few Fire boxes each year by installing boxes of the new non-interfering type should be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD G. SPOONER,  
Supt. Fire Alarms  
Fairhaven, Mass.

# Report of the Park Commission

To the Citizens of Fairhaven:

The report of the Park Department for 1944 up to September 14th may be summarized much as for the previous season: the same two faithful employees carrying on, a normal war year with some extra spring cleaning and pruning due to early closing in the fall of 1943 and a little plant renewal at strategic points. Equipment was maintained at a good level with the exception of the 1928 truck which was kept in operation with difficulty.

The three playgrounds, operating on a longer schedule of nine and ten weeks, recorded an all time high attendance in spite of continued heat and were a resource to parents and children alike. The figures follow: At Cushman (10 weeks) 1197 registered with a daily average of 201; at Oxford (9 weeks) 372 were enrolled with an average of 84 and at Anthony (10 weeks of 2 days each) 165 were registered with a 36 average. Approximately 450 visitors were recorded at the three centers.

And after the hurricane! The toll was heavy,—as in other sections tree damage greater than water. The Cook Memorial, Bridge, Marine and Cushman Parks were flooded with disastrous effects to lawns and shrubbery. Tree loss in Cushman Park was high but replacable in time. More to be regretted are the 2 sycamores at Willow Park and the 10 cedars at Fort Phoenix which added so much in picturesqueness to these unique Parks. The total tree loss was 55.

The job of taking care of all this was rather overwhelming to the small personnel, but two additional men were secured, the town helped with the removal of large stumps and by Thanksgiving things were in fair shape for the winter.

Much replacement in trees and shrubs will be necessary and as much as is practicable will be undertaken during the coming season.

MABEL L. POTTER, Chairman  
ARSENE G. DUVAL  
HAROLD B. DUTTON, Secretary

## Report of Civilian Defense Special Appropriation Committee

The Civilian Defense personnel has been in existence almost three years. For the last year they have been inactivated or on call. The people of Fairhaven who have been active on Civilian Defense have rendered a great service for their country during a great national crisis. Their willingness to sacrifice time, effort and personal convenience, all without compensation, in order to minimize the suffering and damage of others is the highest exemplification of volunteer service.

The favorable progress of the war meant the consequent inactivity of the Civilian Defense Appropriation Committee in 1944. The operation of the Report Center was discontinued in June and the only expense at the present time is for the telephone and one extension to the Police Department and cost of leased telephone wires to sound the audible alarm system. We have taken up with the Mass. Committee of Public Safety several times during the year the matter of discontinuance of audible alarm system but we have been informed no other community has disconnected their alarms and suggested we keep on as is for the time being.

At present expenditures total \$19,931.96, which, deducted from the original appropriation of \$27,000, leaves a balance on hand of \$7,068.04.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND F. COVILL  
ORRIN B. CARPENTER  
RAYMOND T. BABBITT  
SAMUEL C. BARRETT  
ARSENE G. DUVAL  
GEORGE F. BRALEY  
HAROLD E. KERWIN

# Report of Inspector of Animals

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen  
The Board of Health and  
Citizens of the Town

Under the supervision of the Division of Livestock Disease Control, and in cooperation with the Board of Health.

I have quarantined twenty-four dogs for biting.

There has been no case of Rabies.

Inspected are 460 head of cattle that entered from out of State.

There were 29 head of cattle quarantined during the past year.

Inspected are one hog at owners request.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL C. BARRETT,

Inspector of Animals



# Report of the Tree Warden and Moth Superintendent

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

All street trees throughout the town have been sprayed, as well as a large number on private property, to safeguard our shade trees and in various parts of the town I have given a second spraying to keep under control the later breeding of beetles. As a result of this extra care given the elms, the leaves remained on the trees much longer and in a healthier condition.

As you all know, we had a hurricane which did a lot of damage to our trees throughout the town such as broken limbs and uprooted trees. At present I have removed 642 stumps and 1,718 blocks. I have also topped 30 trees which will be removed this spring. There are about 30 more trees to be taken down which are very dangerous to the public.

I plan on planting about 600 trees this spring to replace the trees that we lost during the hurricane.

I wish to thank all department heads and men who cooperated with my department during the hurricane.

I recommend an appropriation of \$9,000 for the care of trees in 1945.

There have been no browntail moths on the trees this year, but there have been a number of gypsy moths, both on street trees and on private property and also a large number of tent caterpillars.

I have treated these with creosote and have sprayed a large number of wild cherry trees to eliminate the tent caterpillars.

I recommend an appropriation of \$300 for the moth department in 1945.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN JARVIS,  
Tree Warden and Moth Superintendent.

## Report of Sewer Commissioners

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Board of Sewer Commissioners organized with G. Winston Valentine as chairman and John M. Reilly as clerk. Meetings were held on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8 o'clock.

In the past years all new connections and repairs made were charged to the property owner after making an estimated cost of same, then paid for out of maintenance. In 1944 the auditors from the State Department told us to charge all connection costs directly to maintenance and when the money is received from the property owners it is credited to the general fund, or town treasury. This change in the system of accounting has made the cost of maintenance much higher than in the past.

Twenty new connections were installed and one repaired, making a total number of connections now in use 1684.

Respectfully submitted,

G. WINSTON VALENTINE

JOHN M. REILLY

LAWRENCE B. MAXFIELD

Board of Sewer Commissioners.

# Report of the Board of Assessors

January 10th., 1945

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Board of Assessors submit the following report for the year 1944:

## RECAPITULATION FOR 1944

Total Appropriations as Certified by Town Clerk to be raised by Taxation, Chapter, 41, S. 15A.	\$502,771.16		\$494,361.41
Total Appropriations voted to be taken from Available Funds			
(A) In 1944			\$ 6,876.88
Overdrawn accounts,			
Building Department			\$ 31.25
Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years			\$ 1,911.43
State Tax and Assessments			
	1944		
	Estimates	Underestimates	
State Tax	\$22,143.00		
State Parks & Reservations	\$ 451.56		
State Audit of Accounts	\$ 1,414.58		
State Examination of Retirement System	\$ 23.50		
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	\$24,032.64		\$ 24,032.64
County Tax and Assessments	\$19,952.19	\$ 2,142.11	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessments	\$ 8,409.75		
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	\$28,361.94	\$ 2,142.11	\$ 30,504.05
Overlay of the Current Year			\$ 12,935.90
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Gross Amount to be raised			\$570,653.56

### Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Income Tax	\$ 38,701.83
Corporation Taxes	26,802.79
Gasoline Tax	13,270.58
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	12,476.34
Licenses	3,519.50
Fines	220.00
Grants and Gifts	12.50
Special Assessments, (Rickets Trust Fund)	24.10
General Government	270.80
Protection of persons & Property	512.85
Health & Sanitation	2,419.83
Charities	12,697.18
Old Age Assistance	45,027.61
Old Age Tax, (Meals)	1,972.03
Soldiers Benefits	1,081.00
Schools	6,323.07
Vessel Excise	957.80
Public Service Enterprise	1,493.72
Interest: On Taxes & Assessments	2,082.53

Total Estimated Receipts	<u>\$169,866.06</u>
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Overestimates of previous year

Used as Available Funds

State Parks & Reservations	\$ 13.77
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Amounts voted to be taken from Available Funds:

(Before any such amount can be used in fixing Tax Rate,  
the Commissioner's written approval must be obtained.)

*\$6,876.88 March 21st., 1944	\$ 6,876.88
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Total available funds	\$176,756.71	<u>\$176,756.71</u>
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Net amount to be raised by Tax- ation on Polls and Property		<u>\$393,896.85</u>
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Number of polls at \$2.00 each (3687)	\$ 7,374.00
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Total Valuation, Personal	\$ 935,470.00	\$ 32,741.45
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Total Valuation, Real	\$10,108,040.00	\$353,781.40
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	<u>\$393,896.85</u>
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Tax Rate \$35.00	
Total taxes levied on polls and property	\$393,896.85

Items not entering into the determination of Tax Rate Bet-  
terment and special assessments added to taxes.

Ships or vessels Excise	\$ 640.04
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Total amount of 1944 taxes on polls and property and of assessments added to taxes as committed to Collector	\$394,536.89
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Overlay Deficits (see item A, 1944)	
1921	54.50
1922	18.85
1923	114.57
1924	235.77
1925	389.79
1926	166.49
1927	105.90
1928	146.50
1929	145.70
1930	136.30
1931	164.69
1932	81.25
1933	42.42
1934	9.28
1935	11.20
1936	23.80
1937	16.20
1938	15.98
1939	19.13
1940	13.11
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	\$1,911.43

\*Voted at Annual Town Meeting to transfer from Avail-  
able Funds, the sum of \$6,876.88, for the purchase of War  
Bonds, etc., for Post War Rehabilitation Fund, (Chapter 5,  
acts of 1943) Approved by the Commissioner, March 21st.,  
1944.

1944 Tax Rate fixed on March 16th., 1944.

CLARENCE A. TERRY  
CHRISTOPHER J. BIRTWISTLE  
ALFRED F. NYE  
Board of Assessors of  
Fairhaven, Mass.



**Table of Aggregates of Polls, Property, and Taxes, as  
Assessed January 1st., 1944 for Fairhaven, Mass.**

Compiled from the figures entered in the Valuation List not including figures related to Exempted Property or to the Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise.

Item	Individuals	All Others*	Total
Number of persons assessed			
1 On Personal Estate only	292	16	308
2 On Real Estate only	3100	24	3124
3 On both Real & Personal	388	10	398
4 Total number of persons assessed			3830
* Partnerships, Associations, Trusts or Corporations			
5 Number of polls assessed			3687
Value of assessed personal estate			
6 Stock in Trade	\$ 35,450.00		
7 Machinery	\$ 443,190.00		
8 Live Stock	\$ 81,670.00		
9 All other Tangible Personal Property	\$ 375,160.00		
10 Total value of assessed personal Estate		\$ 935,470.00	
Value of Assessed Real Estate			
11 Land exclusive of buildings	\$2,296,500.00		
12 Buildings exclusive of land	\$7,811,540.00		
13 Total value of assessed Real Estate		\$10,108,040.00	
14 Total value of assessed Estate		\$11,043,510.00	
15 Tax Rate per \$1,000—\$35.00			
Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes including Overlay			
16 On Personal Estate (item 10 x item 15)	\$ 32,741.45		
17 On Real Estate (item 13 x item 15)	\$353,781.40		
18 On Polls (item 5 x \$2.00)	\$ 7,374.00		
			\$393,896.85

### Number of Live Stock Assessed

20	Horses	85
21	Cows	1,002
22	Bulls (20) Yearlings (145) 2 years (27)	192
23	Swine	182
24	Goats	25
25	Fowl	16,150
26	All other	
27	Number of acres assessed	7,497
28	Number of dwelling houses assessed	3,706

We, the Assessors of Fairhaven do severally state that the foregoing list is a full and true list of the names of all persons known to us, who are liable to taxation in Fairhaven, Mass. as of January 1st., 1944. This statement is made under the penalties of perjury.

CLARENCE A. TERRY  
CHRISTOPHER J. BIRTWISTLE  
ALFRED F. NYE

Fairhaven Board of Assessors.

July 14th., 1944.

### Copy of Motor Vehicle Excise Recapitulation, sent to Henry F. Long, Commissioner

#### Recapitulation of Motor Vehicles and Trailer Excise

Assessed in the Town of Fairhaven for the year 1944.

Commitment	Date of Commitment	Number	Value	Excise
First	Feb. 5th., 1944	351	\$ 51,620.00	\$ 1,856.24
Second	June 19th., 1944	1,857	\$216,970.00	\$ 7,767.04
Third	July 22nd., 1944	185	\$ 23,400.00	\$ 676.09
Fourth	Nov. 14th., 1944	145	\$ 42,320.00	\$ 818.20
Fifth	Dec. 28th., 1944	46	\$ 8,620.00	\$ 121.17
Sixth	Jan. 8th., 1945	5	\$ 490.00	\$ 10.00
Special				
	Comm. May 24th., 1944	2	\$ 190.00	\$ 5.92
Total for 1944		2,591	\$343,610.00	\$11,254.66

CLARENCE A. TERRY  
CHRISTOPHER J. BIRTWISTLE  
ALFRED F. NYE

Assessors of Fairhaven, Mass.  
January 9th., 1945

**Copy of Report sent to Theodore N. Waddell,  
Director of Accounts**

**Valuation:**

Real and Personal Property, Jan. 1942	\$10,972,060.00
Real and Personal Property, Dec. 1942	\$ 5,340.00
Motor Vehicle Excise 1942	
(Total Levy \$20,366.30)	\$ 551,610.00
Real and Personal Property, Jan. 1943	\$10,993,830.00
Real and Personal Property, Dec. 1943	\$ 6,660.00
Motor Vehicle Excise 1943	
(Total Levy \$14,328.61)	\$ 420,140.00
Real and Personal Property, Jan. 1944	\$11,043,510.00
Real and Personal Property, Dec. 1944	None
Motor Vehicle Excise 1944	
(Total Levy \$11,254.66)	\$ 343,610.00

**\* Abatements**

Taxes, Real & Personal 1942		Motor Vehicle Excise 1942	
In 1942	\$3,605.39	In 1942	\$566.42
In 1943	\$1,837.02	In 1943	\$ 58.02
In 1944	\$ 228.05	In 1944	None
Taxes, Real & Personal 1943		Motor Vehicle Excise 1943	
In 1943	\$4,097.08	In 1943	\$429.06
In 1944	\$ 252.72	In 1944	\$ 27.62
Taxes, Real & Personal 1944		Motor Vehicle Excise 1944	
In 1944	\$2,272.17	In 1944	\$287.90

\* Abatements on Poll Taxes not to be included. Specify if valuations are reported in place of tax abatements.

This is to certify that the information on this blank is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CLARENCE A. TERRY

Signature of Officer furnishing information.

Date, January 9th., 1945  
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## RECEIPTS

### TAXES

Current Year		
Poll	\$5,490.00	
Personal	31,858.75	
Real Estate	317,634.65	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	10,831.68	
Vessel Excise	473.01	
	<hr/>	\$366,288.09
Previous Years		
Poll	70.00	
Personal	700.44	
Real Estate	36,467.88	
Tax Title Redemptions	3,237.66	
Tax Possessions	2,942.45	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	189.77	
Vessel Excise	222.36	
	<hr/>	43,830.56
From State		
Meal Tax	3,372.29	
Gasoline Tax	13,270.58	
Income Tax	42,806.25	
Corporation Tax	33,878.46	
	<hr/>	93,327.58

### LICENSES AND PERMITS

Liquor	3,297.00	
Pedlars	61.00	
Sunday	42.00	
Pool and Bowling	22.00	
Milk	54.50	
Auctioneer	6.00	
Oleo	2.50	
Shellfish	643.00	
Common Victualler	30.00	
Music	21.00	
Sunday Entertainment	227.50	
All Other	55.00	
	<hr/>	4,461.50

### FINES

Court Fines	275.00
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## GRANTS AND GIFTS

Federal Government		
For Old Age Assistance	44,051.97	
For Aid to Dependent Children	3,274.84	
	<hr/>	47,326.81
State		
Vocational Education	1,265.06	
English Speaking Classes	338.50	
Highways	691.88	
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County		
Highways	691.88	
Dog Fund	1,361.37	
	<hr/>	2,053.25

## SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Sidewalks	38.00
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## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Treasurer	26.75	
Collector	2.26	
Selectmen	53.40	
Town Clerk	10.00	
Board of Appeals	16.00	
Town Hall	710.00	
	<hr/>	818.41

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police	162.95	
Fire	36.28	
Sealer Weights and Measures	95.69	
Inspection of Buildings	255.00	
Civilian Defense	10.90	
	<hr/>	560.82

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

Health		
Contagious Diseases	334.10	
Tuberculosis	125.85	
Dental Clinic	53.20	
	<hr/>	513.15
Sanitation		
Sewer Connections		2,654.66



## PUBLIC WELFARE

Infirmary		85.00
Reimbursements for Temporary Aid		
State	4,041.40	
Cities and Towns	1,104.38	
Individuals	64.00	
		5,209.78
Aid to Dependent Children		
State		4,773.08
Old Age Assistance		
State	39,659.50	
Cities and Towns	3,087.87	
Individuals	7.76	
		42,755.13

## SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

State Aid	360.00	
Military Aid	100.00	
War Allowance	535.73	
		995.73

## SCHOOLS

Tuition of State Wards	1,177.76	
Other Tuition	5,772.32	
Sale of Books and Supplies	21.81	
All Other	11.77	
		6,983.66

## UNCLASSIFIED

All other	56.95
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## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Revenue Loans	140,000.00	
Chapter 90, Reimbursement Loan	1,400.00	
		141,400.00

## INTEREST

Deferred Taxes	1,912.60
Tax Titles Redeemed	425.63
Julia A. Stoddard Fund	813.06

James Ricketts Fund	28.60	
Hannah Chadwick Fund	12.50	
Rogers Elementary School	3,028.41	
Edmund Anthony Fund	155.03	
Pease Funds	163.96	
High School Fund	14,886.80	
	<hr/>	21,426.59

#### PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE

Water Department		
Metered Rates	1,149.64	
Meters and Services	682.85	
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Union Wharf		
Moorings	5.00	
Rental of Space	2,284.07	
Wharfage	134.00	
Fish Sheds	165.82	
	<hr/>	2,588.89

#### AGENCY

Dog Licenses for County	1,702.60	
Federal Withholding Tax	23,216.44	
Blue Cross	60.15	
	<hr/>	24,979.19

#### TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Andrus Spruit Fund	708.00	
Julia A. Stoddard Fund	.47	
	<hr/>	708.47

#### REFUNDS

General Departments	1,354.56	
Accrued Interest	235.88	
Agency	12,961.14	
Tax Title Expense	152.76	
Trust Funds	1,053.43	
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Cash on Hand January 1, 1944		75,728.51
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		\$909,724.51

## PAYMENTS

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### LEGISLATIVE

Salary of Moderator	\$20.00
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#### SELECTMEN

Salaries	
Selectmen	\$1,392.34
Secretary	939.64
Clerks	187.32
Other Expenses	
Stationery and Postage	44.38
Printing and Advertising	808.14
Travel Expenses	107.44
Telephone	38.52
Office Supplies	80.50
All Other	44.11
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	3,642.39

#### TREASURER

Salaries	
Town Clerk and Treasurer	1,583.54
Clerks	2,288.00
Other Expenses	
Stationery and Postage	64.71
Printing and Advertising	29.22
Office Supplies and Equipment	359.89
Telephone	95.08
Surety Bonds and Insurance	251.57
Vital Statistics	343.00
Certification of Notes	16.00
All Other	10.94
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	5,041.95

#### TOWN COLLECTOR

Salaries	
Collector	2,200.00
Clerk	1,354.20
Other Expenses	
Tax Titles	117.65

Stationery and Postage	440.78	
Printing and Advertising	116.82	
Telephone	.40	
Surety Bond and Insurance	366.23	
Office Supplies	44.61	
All Other	4.90	
	<hr/>	4,645.59

#### ASSESSORS

Salaries		
Assessors	4,305.00	
Assistants	65.00	
Clerks	1,100.00	
Other Expenses		
Plans	150.00	
Stationery and Postage	4.00	
Printing and Advertising	43.03	
Travel	165.83	
Telephone	85.40	
Office Supplies and Equipment	118.46	
Registry Service	159.40	
	<hr/>	6,196.12

#### ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Salaries		
Registrars	1,735.54	
Assistant Registrars	520.63	
Election Officers	1,128.00	
Clerk	770.20	
All Other	358.44	
Other Expenses		
Stationery and Postage	86.71	
Printing and Advertising	809.54	
Office Supplies	182.40	
Travel	19.40	
All Other	175.58	
	<hr/>	5,786.44

#### TAX TITLE EXPENSE

Foreclosures	134.02
Legal Services	1,152.20
Auctioner's Fees	76.30

Postage	1.15	
Telephone	3.90	
All Other	2.25	
	<hr/>	1,369.82

#### TOWN MEETING EXPENSE

Salaries		
Clerks	163.75	
Police	25.00	
Other Expenses		
Printing and Advertising	516.29	
Stationery and Postage	24.49	
All Other	7.66	
	<hr/>	737.19

#### LAW DEPARTMENT

Salaries		
Special Attorneys	500.00	
Other Expenses		
Court Judgment	850.00	
	<hr/>	1,350.00

#### SAFETY COUNCIL

Reports	23.00	
Postage	1.80	
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#### BOARD OF APPEALS

Advertising	20.00	
Postage	3.42	
	<hr/>	23.42

#### AUDITORS

Salaries		300.00
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#### TOWN HALL

Salaries		
Janitors	2,324.00	
Extra Help	24.22	
Other Expenses		
Fuel	1,347.20	



Light	848.34	
Building Supplies	378.42	
Repairs and Replacements	231.80	
Insurance	37.51	
Telephone	12.88	
Water	40.00	
All Other	30.36	
	<hr/>	5,274.73
Hurricane Damage		
Labor	131.49	
Material	2.80	
	<hr/>	134.29

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Salaries		
Chief	2,548.92	
Regular Officers	5,874.98	
Special Police	7,606.28	
Clerks	3,508.99	
Equipment Maintenance		
Motor Equipment	1,092.71	
Gasoline and Oil	789.79	
Equipment for Men	32.84	
Additional Equipment	.15	
Other Expenses		
Printing, Stationery and Postage	34.26	
Telephones	255.18	
Office Expenses	113.82	
All Other	154.77	
Radio Maintenance	64.33	
Ambulance	59.20	
	<hr/>	22,136.22
Hurricane Damage		623.83

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries	
Engineers	400.00
Permanent Men	8,510.38
Call Men	3,701.88
Still Alarms	525.00
Equipment, Maintenance and Repairs	
Apparatus	669.22

Hose	39.00	
Equipment for Men	8.80	
Supplies	91.07	
Rental of Quarters	1,728.00	
Repairs	23.70	
Gasoline and Oil	269.04	
Fuel and Light		
Fuel	33.89	
Light	380.60	
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds		
Repairs	84.51	
Building Supplies	111.63	
Laundry	45.80	
All Other	47.81	
Other Expenses		
Stationery, Printing and Postage	10.35	
Telephone	109.41	
Office Supplies	32.57	
All Other	9.00	
	<hr/>	16,831.66
Hurricane Damage		
Material		29.18

#### FIRE ALARM

Salaries		
Superintendent	360.00	
Assistants	176.95	
Other Expenses		
Equipment	236.51	
Insurance	11.97	
	<hr/>	785.43
Hurricane Damage		
Labor	898.83	
Equipment	417.05	
	<hr/>	1,315.88

#### HYDRANTS

Rental and Service	8,910.00
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#### PLANTING AND TRIMMING TREES

Salaries	
Tree Warden	200.00

Laborers	1,758.40	
Other Expenses		
Stationery, Printing, Postage	20.00	
Supplies	74.24	
Trees	150.00	
Insurance	138.58	
Repairs	286.79	
Arsenate	335.15	
Water	6.02	
All Other	60.34	
	<hr/>	3,029.52
Hurricane Damage		
Labor	11,003.09	
Equipment	18,840.42	
All Other	4.55	
	<hr/>	29,848.06

#### INSECT PEST EXTERMINATION

Labor	295.25
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#### SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Salaries		
Sealer	700.00	
Helper	16.50	
Other Expenses		
Stationery and Postage	10.88	
Printing and Advertising	4.00	
Travel Expenses	218.61	
Equipment	26.45	
All Other	2.72	
	<hr/>	979.16

#### INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS

Salaries		
Inspector	500.00	
Clerk	150.00	
Other Expenses		
Plumbing Inspections	970.00	
Printing	51.25	
Office Supplies	6.70	
Postage	1.00	
	<hr/>	1,678.95

## CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Salaries		
Chairman	240.00	
Clerk	4.00	
Other Expenses		
Telephones	577.20	
Insurance	56.70	
Equipment	54.89	
Printing and Postage	2.00	
All Other	.82	
	<hr/>	935.61

## INSURANCE TOWN BUILDINGS

Contract	2,397.85
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## HEALTH AND SANITATION

### HEALTH

General Administration		
Board Members	720.00	
Stationery and Postage	10.40	
Printing and Advertising	30.79	
Telephone	76.00	
Carding and Inspections	222.48	
All Other	8.23	
Dangerous Diseases		
Medical Attendance	4.00	
Tuberculosis		
Local Board and Treatment	2,342.90	
County Hospital Assessment	8,409.75	
Vital Statistics	46.00	
Other Expenses		
Sanitary Inspector	70.35	
Burying Animals	73.50	
All Other	2.90	
Inspection		
Animal Inspection	254.25	
Meat and Provisions	50.00	
Health Nursing Service	1,000.00	
Dental Clinic	447.15	
Diphtheria Immunization	70.89	
	<hr/>	13,839.59

## SHELLFISH INSPECTION

Salaries		
Shellfish Inspector	1,250.00	
Other Expense		
Printing and Advertising	22.70	
	<hr/>	1,272.70

## SEWER MAINTENANCE

Administration		
Sewer Commissioners	525.00	
Clerk	156.00	
Office Supplies	.65	
General		
Labor	4,930.27	
Repairs and Equipment	823.88	
New Equipment	92.16	
Tools and Supplies	104.81	
Pipe, Cement, Lumber	342.90	
Gasoline and Oil	176.03	
Heat and Lights	107.10	
Power	1,130.51	
Water	172.03	
Insurance	133.09	
Telephone	40.62	
Engineering	12.00	
Rent of Land	100.00	
All Other	59.10	
	<hr/>	8,906.15
Hurricane Damage		
Labor	529.00	
Equipment and Repairs	953.08	
	<hr/>	1,482.08

## MOSQUITO CONTROL

Maintenance		1,200.00
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## REFUSE AND GARBAGE

Refuse		
Labor	6,087.75	
Trucks	470.20	



Gasoline	210.50	
Insurance	227.38	
Garbage		
Contract	3,000.00	
	<hr/>	9,995.83

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

General Administration		
Superintendent	1,500.00	
Clerk	1,428.09	
Telephone	33.92	
Office Expenses	27.54	
General		
Labor	12,086.97	
Trucks	941.33	
Broken Stone, Gravel	4,725.45	
Equipment and Repairs	447.47	
Gasoline and Oil	773.45	
Tarvia and Road Oil	2,031.65	
Light	40.78	
Insurance	700.90	
Fuel	267.56	
Superintendent's Transportation	425.11	
Engineering	91.70	
Supplies	77.36	
All Other	33.03	
	<hr/>	25,632.31
Hurricane Damage		
Labor	10,246.38	
Equipment	7,730.55	
	<hr/>	17,976.93

### LIGHTING

Maintenance Street Lights	9,573.25
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### CHAPTER 90

Maintenance		
Labor	863.50	
Material	1,212.13	
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COGGESHALL STREET BRIDGE

Maintenance for 1943	38.10
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MANHATTAN AVENUE REPAIRS

Labor	498.65
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CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Administration		
Clerks	1,469.55	
Printing, Stationery, Postage	7.50	
Office Expense	125.00	
Travel Expense	104.90	
All Other	6.20	
Outside Relief by Town		
Groceries and Provisions	1,593.76	
Fuel	1,106.34	
Board and Care	762.39	
Medicine and Medical Care	1,300.18	
State Institutions	778.00	
Cash Grants	9,128.15	
Hospital Care	1,470.86	
Rent	993.00	
Clothing	363.17	
Burial	110.00	
Labor and Trucking	391.27	
All Other	82.75	
Other Cities and Towns	1,463.96	
	<hr/>	21,256.98

INFIRMARY

Salaries	
Superintendent	520.00
Other Employees	1,280.29
Other Expenses	
Groceries and Provisions	1,146.28
Dry Goods and Clothing	47.58
Repairs and Replacements	210.54
Fuel and Electricity	516.85
Medical and Hospital	114.57

Building Supplies	51.53	
Telephone	8.97	
Laundry	58.70	
Farm Expense	727.20	
Purchase of Live Stock	40.00	
All Other	43.28	
	<hr/>	4,765.79
Hurricane Damage		
Repairs	103.95	
All Other	1.25	
	<hr/>	105.20

#### AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Administration		
Supervisor	343.20	
Social Worker	181.65	
Clerks	272.65	
Office Supplies	30.00	
Telephone and All Other	27.90	
Aid		
Cash Grants	14,384.17	
	<hr/>	15,239.57

#### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Administration		
Supervisor	847.16	
Clerks	897.03	
Social Worker	1,168.35	
Printing and Postage	176.49	
Office Supplies	58.43	
Telephone	7.35	
Travel and All Other	108.61	
Aid		
Cash Grants	97,766.93	
Other Cities and Towns	892.85	
	<hr/>	101,923.20

#### JULIA A. STODDARD FUND

Cash Grants	825.00
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## RICKETTS FUND

Care of Lot	4.50
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## LADY FAIRHAVEN FUND

Hurricane Damage	50.00
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## SPRIIT ESTATE

Property Expense	208.51	
Infirmary	52.76	
	<hr/>	261.27

## SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

General Administration		
Clerks	591.45	
State Aid	280.00	
Military Aid	280.00	
War Allowance	779.00	
Soldiers' Relief		
Cash	1,915.00	
Groceries and Provisions	48.00	
Rent	12.99	
Medicine and Medical Attendance	162.89	
	<hr/>	4,069.33

## SCHOOLS

### ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL

Superintendent	4,061.70
Clerk in Superintendent's Office	1,446.28
Truant Officer	175.00
Printing, Stationery, Postage	128.84
Telephones	638.86
Traveling Expenses	193.10
School Census	83.60
Office Expenses	54.23
All Other	72.17
Teachers' Salaries	
Elementary	74,376.16
High	43,608.70
Evening	330.00

Text and Reference Books		
Elementary	2,011.73	
High	1,006.08	
Supplies		
Elementary	1,615.91	
Supplies	1,493.50	
Outlay Equipment		
Elementary	119.40	
Tuition		
Evening	26.25	
Vocational	4,044.50	
Continuation	716.04	
Transportation		
Elementary	4,306.58	
High	1,267.11	
Janitors' Services		
Elementary	8,810.23	
High	8,112.00	
Fuel and Light		
Elementary	5,590.84	
High	3,193.59	
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds		
Elementary	2,132.55	
High	2,242.98	
Furniture and Furnishings		
High School	787.28	
Health		
Elementary	1,754.76	
High	548.85	
Diplomas and Graduation Exercises		
Elementary	45.41	
High	106.50	
Insurance		
Elementary	83.35	
High	75.00	
Petty Cash		
Elementary	5.00	
High	10.00	
	<hr/>	175,274.08



Hurricane Damage		
Repairs		384.37
Special Repairs		
High School	2,296.31	
East Fairhaven School	312.40	
	<hr/>	2,608.71
Mass. Teachers' Retirement System		138.45

## RECREATION

### PARK DEPARTMENT

Labor	2,521.64	
Equipment	436.81	
Trees	107.35	
Insurance	44.39	
All Other	30.35	
	<hr/>	3,140.54
Hurricane Damage		
Labor	822.60	
Equipment	77.40	
	<hr/>	900.00

## UNCLASSIFIED

### MEMORIAL DAY

Care of Lot	15.00	
Bands	83.35	
Flowers	131.65	
Flags	20.00	
	<hr/>	250.00

### RENT FOR MILITARY ORGANIZATIONS

American Legion	190.00	
Veterans of Foreign Wars	214.19	
	<hr/>	404.19

### SMALL CLAIMS

Claims		73.04
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### BICYCLE REGISTRATION

Office Expense		.35
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## WAR RATIONING BOARD

Clerks and Janitor	2,447.40	
Stationery and Postage	4.60	
Printing	4.75	
Telephone	121.52	
Office Expense	68.37	
Rent	240.00	
Fuel and Light	275.10	
Maintenance and Operation	35.36	
Travel	20.00	
	<hr/>	3,217.10

## UNPAID BILLS OF PRIOR YEARS

Approved by Annual Town Meeting	776.28
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## PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE

### WATER DEPARTMENT

Salaries		
Foreman	106.68	
Other Expenses		
Purchase of Water	358.19	
Water Services	196.00	
Repairs	20.59	
Tools	13.50	
	<hr/>	694.96

### UNION WHARF

Salary of Wharfinger	300.00	
Lights	33.96	
Water	18.75	
	<hr/>	352.71

## INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

### INTEREST

Temporary Loans		
Anticipation of Revenue	212.01	
General Loans	4,405.70	
	<hr/>	4,617.71

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Temporary Loans		
Anticipation of Revenue	100,000.00	
General Loans	21,700.00	
Reimbursement Loan	1,400.00	
	<hr/>	123,100.00
Tax Title Redemptions Reserved		6,677.67

## AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

### AGENCY

Taxes		
State	37,008.79	
County	19,952.19	
Federal Withholding	25,570.56	
	<hr/>	82,531.54
Contributory Retirement System		8,952.21
County Dog Licenses—Town Clerk		1,702.60
Blue Cross		60.15
Post War Planning		33,176.88

### REFUNDS

Taxes	581.74	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	77.82	
Sewer Connection Deposits	1,380.90	
Estimated Receipts	53.30	
Chapter 90	700.00	
Julia Stoddard Fund	2,105.47	
	<hr/>	4,899.23
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		\$819,245.81
Cash On Hand December 31, 1944		90,478.70
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		\$909,724.51

# ANALYSIS OF APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS—1944

ACCOUNTS	Carried Forward	Appropriations	Credits	Trust Funds and Grants	Payments	Transfers to Other Accounts	Balance to Revenue	Balance Forward
Selectmen's Salaries		\$1,500.00			\$1,392.34		\$107.66	
Selectmen's Office Expense		2,500.00	\$3.15		2,250.05		253.10	
Treasurer's Salary		1,471.96	111.58		1,583.54		4.56	
Treasurer's Office Expense		3,462.97			3,458.41			
Tax Collector's Salary		2,200.00			2,200.00			
Tax Collector's Office Expense		2,500.00			2,445.59		54.41	
Tax Title Expense	604.35	900.00	152.76		1,369.82			\$287.29
Assessors' Salaries		4,200.00	126.73		4,305.00		83.88	21.73
Assessors' Office Expense		1,975.00			1,891.12		5.00	
Salary of Moderator		25.00			20.00			
Salary of Auditors		300.00			300.00			
Election and Registration		5,233.00	600.00		5,786.44		46.56	
Town Meeting Expense		800.00			737.19		62.81	
Legal Expense		500.00	850.00		1,350.00			
Planning Board		120.00					120.00	
Safety Council		62.00			24.80		37.20	
Board of Appeals		25.00			23.42		1.58	
Town Hall		6,000.00	31.76		5,274.73		757.03	
Town Hall—Hurricane Damage		3,300.00			134.29			3,165.71
Town Hall Repairs		5,000.00						5,000.00
Police Department		22,000.00			21,997.15		2.85	
Police—Hurricane Damage		625.00			623.83			1.17
Fire Department		17,000.00	780.30		16,831.66		948.64	

## ANALYSIS OF APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS—1944—Continued

Fire—Hurricane Damage	200.00	29.18	170.82
Fire Alarm	1,100.00	785.43	314.57
Fire Alarm—Hurricane Damage	1,600.00	1,315.88	284.12
Forest Fires	100.00		100.00
Hydrant Rental	8,910.00		
Care of Trees	3,000.00	8,910.00	
Salary of Tree Warden	200.00	2,829.52	170.48
Trees—Hurricane Damage	30,000.00	200.00	
Insect Pest Extermination	300.00	29,848.06	201.82
Sealer of Weights and Measures	1,000.00	295.25	4.75
Building Inspection	750.00	979.16	20.84
Building—Hurricane Damage	350.00	1,178.95	21.05
Building Inspector's Salary	500.00	500.00	350.00
Civilian Defense	7,978.65	935.61	7,068.04
Insurance Town Buildings	2,450.00	2,397.85	52.15
Forestry	5.90		5.90
Board of Health	4,085.00	3,191.80	893.20
Salaries of Board of Health	720.00	720.00	
Dental Clinic	500.00	447.15	52.85
Diphtheria Immunization	75.00	70.89	4.11
Public Health Nursing	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital	8,409.75	8,409.75	
Shellfish Inspection	1,350.00	1,272.70	77.30
Propagation of Shellfish			
Sewer Maintenance	8,300.00	8,224.50	128.30
Sewer Office Expense	170.00	156.65	13.35
Salary of Sewer Commissioners	525.00	525.00	
Sewer—Hurricane Damage	2,000.00	1,482.08	
Huttleston Avenue Sewer			
Collection of Rubbish	7,000.00	6,995.83	517.92
Collection of Garbage	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Mosquito Control Maintenance	1,200.00	1,200.00	5,200.00



# ANALYSIS OF APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS—1944—Continued

ACCOUNTS	Balances Carried Forward	Appropriations	Credits	Trust Funds and Grants	Payments	Transfers to Other Accounts	Balances to Revenue	Balances Forward
Highway Department		25,000.00			24,004.04		995.96	15,023.07
Highway—Hurricane Damage		33,000.00			17,976.93			
Salary—Superintendent of Highways		1,500.00			1,500.00			
Street Lights		10,428.79			9,573.25		855.54	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3.29	700.00		1,383.76	2,075.63	3.29		8.13
Highway Building	6.62							6.62
Coggeshall Street Bridge		38.10			38.10			1.35
Manhattan Avenue		500.00			498.65			
Public Welfare		15,000.00	4,635.45		19,543.83		91.62	
Public Welfare Administrative		1,800.00	4.38	24.10	1,713.15		91.23	
Infirmary		6,000.00			4,765.79		258.31	1,000.00
Infirmary—Hurricane Damage		1,500.00			105.20			1,394.80
Aid to Dependent Children		8,500.00	1,220.00		9,710.68		9.32	17.98
Aid to Dependent Children Fed. Gr.	1,842.93			2,848.54	4,673.49			
Aid to Dependent Children Administrative		300.00			265.88		34.12	31.30
Aid to Dependent Children Adm. Fed. Gr.	194.52			426.30	589.52		.11	
Old Age Assistance		55,000.00	267.44		55,267.33			
Old Age Assistance Federal Grant	761.43			42,631.02	43,392.45		48.08	130.27
Old Age Assistance Administrative		1,800.00			1,751.92			
Old Age Assistance Adm. Fed. Gr.	220.82			1,420.95	1,511.50			
State Aid		500.00			280.00		220.00	
Military Aid		2,000.00			280.00		1,720.00	
War Allowance	464.27	500.00	85.00		779.00			270.27

# ANALYSIS OF APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS—1944—Continued

Soldiers' Relief	5,000.00	15.00	2,730.33	2,269.67	15.00
Veterans Rehabilitation					
James Ricketts Fund			4.50		
Elementary and High Schools	151,635.00	28.60	171,229.58	24.10	
School—Hurricane Damage	1,500.00	19,595.57	384.37	.99	1,115.63
Vocational School	3,200.00		4,044.50	7.00	
School Repairs	2,500.00		2,608.71		
State Retirement System	138.45		138.45		114.63
Park Department	3,500.00		3,140.54	359.46	
Park—Hurricane Damage	900.00		900.00		
Memorial Day	250.00		250.00		
American Legion Quarters	350.00		190.00	160.00	
Veterans of Foreign Wars	350.00		214.19	135.81	
Reserve Fund	5,000.00			.19	
Small Claims	250.00		73.04	4,999.81	297.01
Bicycle Registration	120.05		.35		48.72
War Rationing Board	49.07		3,217.10		412.30
Unpaid Bills of Prior Years	907.75		776.28		
War Memorial	6,876.88		33,176.88	6,876.88	
Post War Planning	26,300.00	6,876.88			2,500.00
Post War Planning Committee	2,500.00		694.96	147.29	21.41
Water Dept. Administrative	200.00		52.71		
Union Wharf	300.00		300.00		
Salary of Wharfinger					
Emergency Relief					
Debt					
Accrued Interest	21,700.00		21,700.00	4,612.95	
Interest on Revenue Loans	4,411.00	1.58	4,405.70	6.88	
Contributory Retirement System	750.00		212.01	537.99	
	8,952.21		8,952.21		
	\$32,435.26	\$18,005.82	\$68,358.84	\$12,239.82	\$47,195.86
	\$577,746.16		\$620,593.37		
			\$16,517.03		

# **TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN** **BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1944**

GENERAL ACCOUNTS		LIABILITIES	
ASSETS			
Cash			\$285.78
General	\$90,478.70		
Petty—School Department	15.00		1.80
Accounts Receivable		Proceeds of Dog Licenses—Due County	
Taxes			
Levy of 1943		Tax Title Redemptions Reserved	\$2,205.92
Personal Property	24.71	For Payment of Loan	1,259.41
Real Estate	5,523.80	Section 79, Chapter 60, General Laws	
Levy of 1944			3,465.33
Poll			
Personal Property	20.00	Sale of Real Estate Fund	10,850.00
Real Estate	638.40	Sewer Connection Deposits	290.00
	34,204.63		
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes		Trust Funds	
Levy of 1944	40,411.54	Julia A. Stoddard Fund Income	525.47
		Andrus Spritt Fund Income	1,628.65
		Lady Fairhaven Fund	579.59
	196.80		2,593.71
Vessel Excise Taxes			
Levy of 1944	60.01	Federal Grants	
		Aid to Dependent Children	17.98
Tax Titles	43,567.32	Aid to Dependent Children	
		Administrative	31.30
Tax Possessions	19,732.87	Old Age Assistance Administrative	130.27
			179.55
Departmental		Loan Authorized and Unissued	34,000.00
Health	34.28	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	9,589.02
Sewer	22.95		

Public Welfare  
 Infirmary  
 Old Age Assistance  
 State Aid  
 Military Aid  
 War Allowance  
 School  
 Union Wharf

131.15  
 213.38  
 708.50  
 340.00  
 140.00  
 694.00  
 11.52  
 199.69

Water Rates  
 Water Services

7.73  
 18.50

Loan Authorized—Water System

Overlay Deficits  
 Levy of 1927

1931  
 1932  
 1933  
 1934  
 1935  
 1936  
 1937  
 1938  
 1939  
 1940  
 1941

34.55  
 50.32  
 107.25  
 9.13  
 51.60  
 77.78  
 83.77  
 29.20  
 27.92  
 35.21  
 26.38  
 19.70

Overlays, Reserved for Abatement of Taxes  
 Levy of 1943  
 Levy of 1944

5,430.31  
 8,672.73

14,103.04

Unexpired Balances  
 Tax Title Expense  
 Assessors' Salaries  
 Town Hall Repairs  
 Damage by Hurricane 1938  
 Civilian Defense  
 Insurance on Town Buildings  
 Forestry

287.29  
 21.73  
 5,000.00  
 184.96  
 7,068.04  
 52.15  
 5.90

26.23

34,000.00

Propagation of Shellfish  
 Chapter 90, Maintenance  
 Highway Building  
 Manhattan Avenue  
 Infirmary Repairs  
 War Allowance  
 Huttleston Avenue Sewer  
 Veterans Rehabilitation  
 Small Claims  
 Publicity  
 Bicycle Registration  
 War Rationing Board  
 Post War Planning Committee  
 Water Department Administration  
 Sconticut Neck Water Project

2,460.70  
 8.13  
 6.62  
 1.35  
 1,000.00  
 270.27  
 5,200.00  
 15.00  
 297.01  
 27.05  
 48.72  
 412.30  
 2,500.00  
 21.41  
 1.66

552.81

Hurricane Balances  
 Town Hall

3,165.71

Police Department  
 Fire Department

1.17  
 170.82

2,369.13

Fire Alarm  
 Care of Trees  
 Building Department  
 Sewer Department

284.12  
 201.82  
 350.00  
 517.92

Highway Department	15,023.07
Infirmary	1,394.80
Schools	1,115.63

State Retirement System	114.63	47,229.98
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Revenue

Reserved Until Collected	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	196.80
Vessel Excise Tax	60.01
Tax Title and Tax Possessions	63,300.00
Departmental	2,495.47
Water	26.23

Surplus Revenue

\$233,917.93

66,078.70  
45,111.02  
\$233,917.93

**DEBT ACCOUNTS**

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

\$182,162.63

Emergency Finance Loan, Chap. 49  
Emergency Storm Damage Loan 1938  
Emergency Storm Damage Loan 1944  
New Bedford-Fairhaven Bridge Loan  
Addition to High School Loan  
Water System Loan, Chap. 350

\$13,662.63  
16,000.00  
40,000.00  
4,000.00  
50,000.00  
58,500.00  
\$182,162.63



# TRUST, RETIREMENT AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

Trust, Retirement and Investment Funds  
Cash and Securities  
In Custody of Treasurer  
In Custody of Trustees

\$220,962.72  
498,791.74

James Ricketts Charity Fund \$1,430.66  
Julia A. Stoddard Charity Fund 21,512.42  
Hannah Chadwick Fund 500.00  
Andrus Spritt Fund 6,300.00  
Henry H. Rogers Elementary School Fund 112,465.12  
Abner Pease School Fund 7,558.12  
Edmund Anthony Jr. School Fund 10,000.00

Contributory Retirement Funds  
Pension Accumulation Fund \$14,019.46  
Annuity Savings Fund 11,691.82  
Expense Fund 194.48  
Annuity Reserve Fund 422.53  
Undistributed Income 1,691.23

28,019.52

Post War Rehabilitation Fund  
High School Fund

33,176.88  
498,791.74

\$719,754.46

\$719,754.46

# Report of Police Department

December 31, 1944.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

Below and on following pages you will find the report of the Fairhaven police department for the year ending December 31, 1944. Much of what I reported at the close of 1943 is still true. It is my duty to remind you of these facts, and, in some cases, I can do no better than to copy sections of the 1943 report.

## **Appropriation Too Small**

Judged by any standard, the 1944 appropriation made for the maintenance of the Fairhaven police department was much too low. This fact is proven and emphasized in the following sections. Police work is a combination of duties required by law and services expected by the public. It is my duty to recommend an appropriation which will provide for duties to be efficiently performed and for services to be properly rendered.

## **The Accident Situation**

A year ago I wrote: "Rationing and Executive Order 35 (which holds the speed of motor vehicles down to 35 miles per hour days and 30 miles per hour nights) continued to hold down traffic and speed in 1943, but because funds were not available to use in patrolling our highways accidents increased." That statement is correct with regard to 1944.

## **Inadequate Personnel**

In the 1942 and 1943 reports I wrote: "The fact that our roster of regular men is not complete due to men in the armed services, means that spare officers must constantly be assigned. Making these assignments takes a great deal of time that could better be used otherwise. Efficiency is im-

paired by having first one man and then another working on one job." Those statements are still correct.

A patrolman is needed nightly from six to eleven o'clock in the center of the town, and there should be two men in the cruiser car on the second shift. My 1945 budget, if approved, will cover these services.

The department is now in need of two additional regular full-time men and two additional regular "half-time" men. If the evening patrol assignment in the center of the town is considered we need three, not two, additional regular "half-time" men.

### **Ambulance Cases**

The appropriation for ambulance service was provided for in the regular police appropriation. The cost of furnishing this service accounts for part of the big amount spent for auto maintenance. We had nearly as many ambulance cases in 1944 as in 1943.

### **Bicycle Registration**

Desk men are constantly receiving inquiries about the registration of bicycles. A few facts recorded here may help. We are constantly explaining that bicycle registration is compulsory; that the fee for each bicycle is 25c; and that there is no yearly renewal requirement. The plan offers a measure of protection to bicycle registrants and brings money into the town treasury.

### **Auxiliary Power Unit Needed**

We have had two hurricanes in six years and after each one the police department has had to handle a greatly increased volume of business without utility company electric power. After the 1944 hurricane an auxiliary power unit was borrowed from the Fire Department. Loss of power may be caused not only by hurricanes but also by sleet storms coating and breaking the wires. We cannot—and should not—depend on borrowing equipment, and I again urge the town to purchase an auxiliary power unit for police and town hall use.

### **Increased Business Forecast**

It is generally anticipated that all police departments will have a great increase in business in the coming year due to many servicemen returning to civil life and having to adjust themselves as when they went from civil to military life. There will be many mental and shock cases which will require the services of the police.

### **New Car Badly Needed**

A new cruiser car is badly needed. Bills for repairs to the 1942 Plymouth in its third year of use have been terrific. It is unfit for further service.

### **Pay Scale Too Low**

And here, copied from my 1943 report, are other facts which are still true: "The men of the department as well as myself, in my opinion, are underpaid, and it is a wonder we have ANY men working for the amounts they receive. Regular and spare officers have requested higher pay, and I recommend that they be paid more money for their services and that my pay be advanced."

### **Appreciation**

Again I want to record my sincere appreciation to those who have cooperated with the department during the year. Chairman Victor O. B. Slater and Mr. Raymond T. Babbitt of the Fairhaven Committee on Street and Highway Safety and the schools of Fairhaven have again done excellent work in promoting safety in Fairhaven, and to them I give my thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN D. SHURTLEFF

Chief of Police

# OFFENSES

	Males	Females	Totals
Allowing person to operate who had no legal right to do so	1	0	1
Assault and battery	13	4	17
Assault to rape	2	0	2
Being a delinquent child	23	0	23
Being a neglected child	4	0	4
Being an unlicensed operator	4	1	5
Breaking and entering and larceny in the nighttime	2	0	2
Disturbing the peace	2	0	2
Drunkenness	15	0	15
Executive order #35 violations	1	0	1
Failing to stop when signalled to do so	1	0	1
Illegitimate children law violations	2	0	2
Larceny	4	0	4
Leaving the scene of an accident after injury to property	1	0	1
Neglect of family	3	0	3
Neglect of minor child	1	1	2
Operating a motor vehicle after license was suspended	1	0	1
Operating a motor vehicle after right was suspended	1	0	1
Operating a motor vehicle so as to endanger	2	0	2
Operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxi- cating liquor	2	0	2
Operating a motor vehicle without having operator's license in possession	1	0	1
Operating an uninsured motor vehicle	1	0	1
Operating an unregistered motor vehicle	1	0	1
Possession of lottery slips	1	0	1
Promoting a lottery	1	0	1
Selling leased property	1	0	1
Speeding	1	0	1
Stubbornness	0	2	2



	Males	Females	Totals
Threatening bodily harm	2	0	2
Unlawful appropriation of a motor vehicle	5	0	5
Weekly wage law violations	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL LOCAL OFFENSES</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>108</b>
<b>OUT-OF-TOWN OFFENSES</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL OFFENSES</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>116</b>

#### DISPOSITIONS OF CASES

Fined-Suspended	2	0	2
Fined	8	0	8
Not guilty	4	1	5
Dismissed	23	3	26
Nol prossed	1	0	1
Shirley School	1	0	1
Filed	18	1	19
Probation	4	0	4
Continued	16	1	17
Appealed	5	1	6
Grand Jury	4	0	4
House of Correction suspended and probation	2	0	2
Released without arraignment	6	0	6
Massachusetts Reformatory	1	0	1
Defaulted	3	1	4
Fined and House of Correction Suspended	1	0	1
Fined and committed	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL DISPOSITIONS OF LOCAL OFFENSES</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>108</b>

#### ARRESTS BY MONTHS

January	8	0	8
February	10	1	11
March	1	0	1
April	4	1	5
May	11	1	12

	Males	Females	Totals
June	4	1	5
July	15	0	15
August	9	2	11
September	5	0	5
October	5	1	6
November	1	0	1
December	2	0	2
Total Arrests for Local Offenses	75	7	82
Total Arrests for Out-of-Town Police	7	1	8
Total Arrests	82	8	90

#### ARRESTS BY AGES

0-5 years	3	0	3
6-10 years	3	0	3
11-15 years	9	0	9
16-20 years	18	3	21
21-25 years	5	0	5
26-30 years	7	2	9
31-35 years	3	0	3
36-40 years	4	1	5
41-45 years	9	1	10
46-50 years	3	0	3
51-55 years	4	0	4
56-60 years	4	0	4
61-65 years	1	0	1
66-70 years	1	0	1
Unknown	1	0	1
Total Arrests for Local Offenses	75	7	82
Total Arrests for Out-of-Town Police	7	1	8
Total Arrests	82	8	90

Fines imposed in Fairhaven cases	\$440.00
Court fines received by the town	\$275.00
Telephone calls, etc. January 1-December 31	21,397
Complaints January 1-December 31	2,218
Reports January 1-December 31	2,474

Resident arrests—46 males, 6 females	52
Non-resident arrests—30 males	30
Stolen property reported to the value of	\$9,563.42
Stolen property recovered	\$1,475.99
Number of Motor Vehicle Injury Accident reports filed with the police department in 1944	49
Number of persons injured in automobile accidents	65
Number of non-injury accident reports filed under Section 1 Article IX, Traffic Rules and Regulations	21
Number of dead bodies found	6
Number of doors found unlocked or open	47
Number of windows found unlocked or open	2
Number of street lights reported out	374
Number of occasions when all street lights were reported out	6
Number of ambulance cases	125
Number of Motor Vehicle Sales and Transfers filed with the police department:	
Class 1	33
Class 3	111
Class 3	Nil
Individual	299
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	443
Number of children lost and returned to their homes	22
Number of traffic checkups	198
Number of the above checkups which resulted in operator's licenses or rights being recommended suspended	43
Number of operator's licenses and rights suspended	40
Number of motor vehicle registrations suspended or revoked	6

#### 1944 POLICE DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

Chief Norman D. Shurtleff	\$2,548.92
Regular Men	9,161.44
Spare Men	7,759.77
Flashlight Batteries and Bulbs	6.69
Office Expense	25.10
Subscription	2.00
Memberships	7.00
Photography	8.90
Out-of-State Travel	5.80

Physicians	13.00
Traveling Expense	17.75
Equipment for Men	8.60
Supplies	2.80
Printing	87.40
Postage, Stationery, Office Supplies	31.48
Auto Hire	82.62
Telephones	278.93
Radio Maintenance	60.98
Maintenance of Automobiles	1,885.08
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<hr/> <b>\$21,994.26</b>
<b>UNEXPENDED BALANCE</b>	<b>5.74</b>
<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<hr/> <b>\$22,000.00</b>

## Report of Highway Department FOR THE YEAR 1944

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen

Town of Fairhaven, Mass.

Gentlemen:

During the year just passed we were able to do considerable repair work on the streets and roads.

Many of the hard surfaced streets were greatly improved by replacing or refilling broken and worn portions with cold patch (a mixture of gravel and tar) of which we used over 300 tons for this purpose.

We also sealed with tar approximately 62,000 square yards of street surface including the streets or a portion thereof—Bridge—(Huttleston to Alden Road), Cedar—(Fort to Laurel), Wilding—(Main to Adams), Ball—(Main to Adams), Alpine, Buttonwood, Cherry, Cook, Deane, Dover, East Coggeshall, Hedge, Lafayette, Morgan, East Morgan, Morton, North, Oxford, Pilgrim, Sycamore, Taber, Winsor and Wood.

We did extensive brush and weed cutting on the important suburban roads including Bridge St., Gellette Rd., Shaw Rd., Boston Hill Rd., Long Rd., Mill Rd., and Oak Grove Lane.

Many portions of sidewalks in various parts of the Town were regraded, resurfaced or otherwise improved.

We constructed approximately 100 feet of new drain with sand catcher basin and connections at the foot of Washington Street to the bulk head at the outer end of the new Mullin's Wharf, and all drains throughout the Town of which we have several miles of open and closed ditches and pipes have been cleaned and repaired where necessary including all sand catchers.

We assisted in the Salvage Campaign by furnishing men and trucks for three collections during the year, in February, May and September.

Under Chapter 90 Maintenance—work ordered by the State Engineer was performed on Alden Road and Sconticut Neck Road including "broomed in" tarred surface application on Sconticut Neck Road.

Manhattan Ave. Repairs.—As a result of action taken at the last Annual Town Meeting we have repaired and improved this street by regrading and resurfacing and applied a seal coat of tar. We eliminated all pipes at intersections and built gutters to provide more dependable drainage. We used 163 tons of gravel and fill, 153 tons of Shovel Mix (gravel tar) and 993 gallons of tar. Total cost of the work done was \$1,631.26 and the amount appropriated was not enough to cover the cost of materials alone but all of the work done was necessary to put this much used street in proper condition.

Hurricane Damage.—The storm on September 14 had disastrous and far reaching results affecting our streets, sidewalks, sea walls and abutments, drains and Town Property at the Town Yard, where windows and skylights were damaged and shingles, roof paper and sheet metal torn off the roofs of main building and storage sheds. Approximately 600 trees on Town property were felled and it is estimated about 100 more must be taken down.

This necessarily interrupted our program of regular work and every available man and piece of equipment was



put at work removing trees and debris from the streets and roads, filling holes in streets and sidewalks and a variety of other duties made necessary by the enormous damage done.

This work continued until frozen ground made it necessary to postpone further repair work which will be resumed as soon as conditions become favorable.

Rubbish Collection.—Because of a nuisance created on surrounding property particularly at Riverside Cemetery by papers and rubbish blown from the Kendrick Avenue dumping lot it was necessary to build a high wire fence enclosing the dump on two sides, which eliminated the trouble and was much appreciated by the residents in that vicinity.

We express our appreciation for the cooperation we have received from the citizens and residents of the Town and Town Officials which has assisted us in conducting our various activities in a satisfactory and economical manner at a lower cost to the tax payers than for the several years immediately preceeding 1941, although the cost of labor, supplies and materials has increased to a very large extent.

We have offered suggestions for helpful cooperation in the past which have been cheerfully adopted and we again earnestly request that automobiles should not be parked in the street during snow storms as it interferes with the proper plowing and removal of snow from the thoroughfare.

We also suggest that a report be given to us or the Police Department when it is noticed that a street sign is in the act of being damaged or is damaged or missing as we have been caused a lot of trouble and expense by the acts of hoodlums at night during the past year.

Also notify us promptly of dangerous conditions in the streets or on sidewalks requiring our prompt attention and assist us in giving the best possible service in the collection of ashes and rubbish by following our suggestions regarding size and weight of receptacles and protecting the contents from freezing.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED J. TRIPANIER,  
Superintendent.



## Post War Planning Committee

To the Citizens of the Town of Fairhaven:

In the fall the Selectmen appointed a Post War Planning Committee consisting of the chairman of each of the several departments with Victor O. B. Slater as overall chairman.

The purpose as outlined was not rehabilitation, but simply to take up the slack in labor adjustment for returning service men, to the end that definite plans should be in readiness for work necessary for maintenance or desirable for town betterment. Each department was asked to submit such plans as deemed practicable together with cost of labor and materials. Some of immediate need are on file, others are pending and will be recommended in order of importance. Blue prints are in the making by the Street Department for the widening of Water and Washington Streets (north and west ends), widening Sconticut Neck Rd. to the extent of evening up the width, and taking care of drains in several flooded sections.

In November came a call for filing estimates with the State Post War Planning Commission and rather liberal figures were given for five major projects, viz: completion of the Sconticut Neck Water System, \$75,000; repairs and renovations to school buildings, \$36,000; sewer reconstruction at several strategic points, \$6,000 and Park and Forestry work \$13,000.

Recommendations of the Planning Board have been approved for the widening of Center Street between William and Main Streets and for the preparation of a comprehensive zoning map, a Master Plan of the town layout, with present streets, extensions and future development.

The increasing desirability of a second approach to Sconticut Neck, an idea broached in the early 1900's to our knowledge, came up for discussion and will be given further study as to the most practical roadway from the west.

Further meetings are in order to perfect plans for all departments that there may be no stigma of "made" work if and when the need arises.

VICTOR O. B. SLATER, Chairman  
MABEL L. POTTER, Secretary

## Report of the Auditors

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen and School Committee of the Town of Fairhaven for the year ending December 31, 1944 and find them correct.

CHARLES E. SHURTLEFF

HAROLD B. DENNIE

JOSEPH H. ALLEN

Auditors

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
Division of Accounts  
State House, Boston

December 21, 1944

To the Board of Selectmen  
Mr. Harold E. Kerwin, Chairman  
Fairhaven, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Fairhaven for the period from December 2, 1943 to November 2, 1944, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,  
Director of Accounts.

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Fairhaven for the period from December 2, 1943, the date of the previous examination, to November 2, 1944, and report thereon as follows:

The financial transactions as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and verified by comparison with the records in the offices of the treasurer and the accounting officer.

The books and accounts in the office of the accounting officer were examined, checked, and compared with the records of the several departments of the town and with the town treasurer's accounts. The receipts, as recorded, were compared with the town treasurer's record of receipts and were checked with the departmental records of payments to the treasurer, while the recorded payments were checked with the treasurer's record of disbursements and with the treasury warrants.

The ledger accounts were analyzed, the appropriations and transfers were checked with the town clerk's records of town meetings and with the records of the finance committee, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on November 2, 1944, was prepared and is appended to this report.

The records of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and checked to the accounting officer's book, with the departmental records of payments to the treasurer, and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the disbursements were checked with the treasury warrants.

The cash balance on November 2, 1944, was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The payments on account of debt and interest were verified by comparison with the cancelled securities on file and with the amounts falling due.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the trust and investment funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined. The income was proved and all transactions were verified and compared with the treasurer's and accounting officer's books.

The investments of the contributory retirement funds were personally examined. The receipts, representing appropriations by the town and contributions by the members, as well as income from investments, were checked in detail. The disbursements were checked, and the cash balance on November 2, 1944, was proved by listing the checks on hand and by reconciling the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit.

A statement of the transactions and condition of the Henry H. Rogers High School Fund was furnished by the City Bank Farmers Trust Company of New York, Trustees, and a schedule for this fund was prepared and is attached to this report.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked. The additions to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the recorded redemptions, disclaimers, and foreclosures were verified, and the tax titles on hand were listed, reconciled with the accounting officer's ledger, and checked with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The books and records of the town collector were examined and checked in detail. The tax, departmental, and water accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination, and all subsequent commitments, were audited and proved to the warrants issued for their collection. The recorded receipts were checked with the payments to the treasurer and with the accounting officer's books, the abatements as recorded were compared with the records in the departments authorized to grant such credits, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the accounting officer's ledger accounts.

The outstanding tax, departmental, and water accounts were verified by mailing notices to a number of persons



whose names appeared on the books and records as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen, town clerk, building inspector, and the police, fire, and health departments were examined, and the payments to the State and the town treasurer were verified.

The surety bonds of the officials required by law to furnish them for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the departments and accounts mentioned, the records of all other departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection were examined, checked in detail, and reconciled with the treasurer's and accounting officer's books.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and the collector's cash, summaries of the tax, tax title, departmental, and water accounts, as well as tables showing the condition and transactions of the trust, retirement, and investment funds.

For the cooperation extended by the various town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,

Assistant Director of Accounts.



# Town Clerk's Report

## BIRTHS RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN—1944

Date	Name of Child
Jan. 1	David Arthur Brunette
3	Mary Jane Healy
3	Sue Ellen Schimmel
8	Peter Parkman Sellers
8	Janet Elizebeth Fields
9	—— Bisbee
11	David Newcomb Kelley
13	Elizabeth Helen Spencer
17	Marilyn Besse
19	Raymond Jesse Aguiar
19	Lila Martha Thompson
20	Diane Louise Despres
22	Donna Marie Germano
22	Robert Martin Oliveira
26	Jon Alan Siwik
28	Raymond Herve Pothier
29	Jean Garcia
Feb. 8	Morris Norman Pinard
9	Paula Ann Cabral
9	Thomas Sylvia
10	Linda Louise Ray
12	Lee Delano Doran
15	Lawrence Charles Westgate
17	Lawrence Szczepan
18	Robert Ferreira
18	Robert Costa
19	Joan Ada Gobell
19	Charles Robert Ogren
19	Paul Edward Johnson
20	Stillborn
21	Barbara Elaine Texeira
26	Lorretta Mae Andrade
29	Carole Martha Costa
Mar. 2	John Bartlett
9	Jean Orr
10	John Burton Humphreys
11	Beverly May Fournier
13	John Jerome Brennan
17	Patrick Donald Pauline
17	Sharon Lee Bumgarner
18	Frances Louise Bassett
27	Stillborn
27	David Henry Sylvia
29	John Kenneth DeTerra
29	Lorraine Madeline Correia

# BIRTHS RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN—1944 (Continued)

Date	Name of Child
Apr. 5	Patricia Scotti
6	Diane Elizabeth Santos
7	Robert Carl Gaudreau
11	Joyce Ann Beckman
12	Mary Jewell Starbuck
16	Raymond Louis LaBonte
23	George Nelson Smith
24	Marion Donald Andersen
25	Douglas Sterling Whiton
26	Antone Souza Jr.
30	Daniel Everett Tichon
30	Deborah Ann Wing
May 2	Paul Anthony Martin
4	Edward Aldie Boivin
5	Ronald Edmond Desrosiers
10	Peter William Tallman
14	Beverly Ann Goguen
16	Maurice Joseph Octave Hevey
16	Linda Diane Sougnez
23	Rosalie Marie Paine
23	Nancy Ann Bettencourt
25	Donald Robert Jacobsen
26	Elizabeth Ann Romeiro
26	Katharine Claire Phipard
27	Evelyn Braga
29	Barbara Ann Jachna
30	Sylvia Kathleen Teixeira
31	Bentley William Hudson
June 1	Barbara Ann Audette
3	William Henry Perry
7	Sandra Margaret Charest
13	Anita Maria Lopes
21	Charlotte Catherine Lawton
26	Anna Margaret Gardner
26	John Reed Gardner
27	Bonnie Lee Ainsworth
27	Merrilyn F. Ingalls
30	David Alexander Bruce
July 1	Robin Michel Holmes
9	Ellis Ladislav Guyon
10	Susan Thatcher Masten
12	Karen Ann Jarvis
13	Henry Fernandes Souza
14	John Barcellos
15	Brian Arthur Patenaude
18	Ruth Nancy Carr
26	Carol Lea Peirce
27	Ira Charles Haskell, Jr.

# BIRTHS RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN—1944 (Continued)

Date	Name of Child
28	Nelson William Perrin
30	Sheila Ann Reed
30	Ann Margaret Rezendes
Aug. 2	Illegitimate
3	Phillip Wayne Sylvia
3	Elizabeth Enma Bachman
4	Patricia DeSilva
5	David Charles Brown
6	Lila Louise Harrington
7	Robert Burton Perry
7	Janice Arlene Clunie
10	Mary Ann Andrade
11	Stillborn
12	Geraldine Costa
12	Gail Ann Feener
13	Frances Marie Barcellos
14	Kathryn Lawton
17	Raymond Leon Jacquel
17	Stephen George Costa
18	Donald Frederick Gifford
18	George Louis Herrick
22	Judith Alice Roderick
23	Donald Charles Coppolino
24	Leonard Frank Correa
25	Charlene Fourcher
26	Joan Duarte
31	Lesley G. Mitchell
Sept. 1	Karen Lee Behn
2	Bruce Gordon Lowther
10	Henry Theophilus Olden
10	Lois Hathaway
13	Patricia Gail LeBlanc
13	Cathryn Florence Brower
18	Lyles Roger Bourgault
18	Susan Catherine Galligan
19	Katrina Van der Zee
22	Dexter King Rogers, Jr.
26	Elaine Marguerite Fafard
29	Stillborn
Oct. 3	Andrew Cook Culbert
5	John Bernard Caouette
7	Charlene Jane Roberts
9	Nancy Ann Mraz
13	Daniel Heyes Petit
17	Donna Jean Romer
20	Leona Jeanette Fleurent
21	Eugene Frank Tenczar

# BIRTHS RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN—1944 (Continued)

Date	Name of Child
22	Stillborn
25	Sandra Lee Silva
30	Virginia Ruth Livesley
Nov. 2	Raynold Risdal
3	Michael Francis McGowan
4	James Charles Cardoza
5	Millicent Louise Gray
8	Ralph Noel Renaud
8	Robert Bradford Wrightington
9	Diane Dawn Regan
10	Dennis James Conceicao
12	Ralph Albert Antonsen
14	Frank Ferreira
20	Carol Olive Martin
23	David Thomas Grinstead
24	Manuel Silva
25	Rhoda Lynn Bowman
Dec. 3	Dorothea Beth Howard
7	Leo John Cordeiro
8	Janet Lee Tomlinson
10	Winifred Elaine Medeiros
12	Carole Ann Teixeira
12	Grace Dore Dougal
14	Samuel Dias Freitas
18	Carline Ann Correia
19	Margaret Magdalene Souza
20	Doris Yvette Prefontaine
21	Douglas Noel Perry
23	Joseph Fernandes
25	Joanne Hammond
27	Judieth Ann Wordell
29	Carl Vaughan Schmidt
29	Stephen Edward Lussier

# MARRIAGES RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN - 1944

Date	Bride	Groom
Jan. 1	Mary Tavares Davis	Antonio Joaquin Silva, Jr.
5	Irene Louise Stevens	Joseph William Marshall Jr.
8	Rita Blanche Spoor	Ralph Albert Antonsen
8	Jeanne Clara Pontbriand	Calvin Coolidge Correia
8	Elaine Bryant Pettengill	Bernard Elmer Anderson
10	Virginia Caton	Wilfred Henri Gagne
15	Mary Agrella	John Andrew Viera
15	Pearl Marie Barrett	Joseph Roland Racine
15	Mildred Alice Santos	Clarence Farwell Blossom
15	Gladys Ellen Hacking	Frank Aloysius Dobija
21	Sophonie Mary (Blanchette)	St. Aubin Adiel Francis Hathaway
22	Margaret Isabella Ventura	Ernest Mario Pagnano
22	Grace Jackson	John Whewell
27	Zuiteria Freitas	Arthur Duarte Mello
29	Angelina Barcellos	Leo Joseph Fournier
Feb. 3	Barbara Coupe Swift	Charles Samuel Hammond Jr.
5	Emily Madeiros	George Lincoln Alden
6	Hilda Medeiros	Alfred Correia
10	Millicent Elaine Reece	Norman Gilbert Carmel
12	Ruth Patricia Golden	Raymond Selley Banks
12	Emma (Ward) Lock	John Gelette
19	Rose Delima Bissonnette	Adelard Benoit
19	Emma Victorino	James Jeremiah Medeiros
21	Laurette Comeau	Antone Lewis
Mar. 2	Alice Theresa Biernacka	Raymond Laurence Bourdon
2	Olive Oliveira	John J. Porte
4	Gladys Louise Heyes	Normand Gerard Petit
12	Elizabeth Thorndike Howland	Allen Wayne Church
16	Claire Winship Weeks	Emile Eugene Martel
18	Clara Isabelle Garcia	Frederick Thomas Morgan, Jr.
18	Mildred Virginia Marra	Fred Leon Kane, Jr.
23	Mary Pamela Regan	Edward James McCalligett
24	Ruth Elizabeth Willcott	William C. Russell
27	Mary Ellen Marsh	John Ferreira Rebello
28	Evelyn Diogo	Ernest Eugene Pettencill, Jr.
Apr. 8	Agnes Pearl Harrington	Antone Costa, Jr.
15	Laurea Yvonne Richard	Ralph Willard Burt
15	Thelma Eunice Cruz	Montgomery Chaplin Lowry
15	Mildred Frances Morse	David Sherwood Stratton
27	Sally Crapo Hamer	Richard Clinton Gooding
29	Sylvia Hathaway Stevens	Manuel Viera Cardoza
29	Anna Cosquete Raphael	Daniel Lucas
29	Roberta Beatrice Tripp	Alvin Holt Hanson
May 1	Evelyn Constance Mello	Vincent Anthony Martinucci
6	Ruth Lawson Waite	Richard Patrick Regan, Jr.



# MARRIAGES RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN - 1944 (Continued)

Date	Bride	Groom
	6 Delfina Almond	Joseph Albert DuBlois
	6 Doris Johnson	Victor Souza
	19 Priscilla Faith Gurney	Albert Foster
	19 Mary (Priestly) Brinley	Francis Low Brandt
	20 Elmira Lucy LaMere	Donald Louis Culver
	24 Mary Borges Cabral	Henry Joseph Benoit
	27 Josie Naomi Ash	Howard Eugene Vinal
	27 Loretta May Bieque "L'Heureux"	Leslie Lloyd Robinson
June	4 Nancy Jane Church	Paul Murray Beard
	4 Shirley Marie Thompson	Calvin Coolidge Knowles
	4 Jane Marilyn Howard	Frank West Dellingham
	10 Mabel (Critchley) McMaster	Jack Warburton
	10 Stanislawa Theresa Tomczewski	Frank Alojzy Rzepa
	17 Yvette Blanche Plourde	Adelard Joseph Roy
	19 Rhoda Drinkwater	Alfred Adelard Leclair
	24 Alice Perry	Vasco Perry
	24 Therese Benoit	Gaston Ludger Bellefeuille
	24 Sophie Medeiros	John Ponte Cordeira
	24 Doris Marie Labrecque	Arthur Tripanier
	26 Hannah Alberta Meredith Farraday	Irving William Perry
	29 Melba Alfreda Teixeira	Manuel Ribeiro
	29 Lilianne Marie LeBlanc	Raymond Joseph Berube
	30 Thelma Helen Jason	Joseph Francis Perry
	30 Lois Alice Hall	Vincent Francis Canole
July	3 Harriet Leona (Pacheco) Rivard	William Alfred McNally
	5 Edith Sinclair Taylor	Larkin Lee
	8 Doria Alice Cusson	Everett Earl Marvel St.Germain
	15 Mary Lewis Faria	Leonard Cotta Mello
	17 Doris Rose	Charles Souza Bettencourt
	29 Beatrice Mary St. Onge	Arthur Bradford Audette
	30 Roxy LaVerne (Chace) Fisher	Frederick Oswald Fischer
Aug.	5 Sylvia Cashiero	Francisco Marques Silvia
	6 Mary Ruth Howland	Gaetano Dante Battaini
	8 Adeleita Eldora Hathaway	James Newman Barbee
	12 Alicia Rodrigues	Edmond Goulart
	14 Mary Rita Soares	Clifford Cruz
	21 Doris Audette	William Handford Correia
	25 Ruth Bunnell	Albert Alcock, Jr.
Sept.	1 Fannie Louise Dwelly	Floyd Vernon Sanford
	2 Rose Anna St. Aubin	Romeo Joseph Tremblay
	2 Eva Jerome	James Dias
	4 Georgina Santos	Roger Arthur Berube
	6 Mary Doris Charette	William Adjutor Trudeau
	9 Angelina Moniz	Antonio Santos
	9 Matilda Oliveria Costa	Frank John Almeida
	14 Catherine Altair Amanda Senecal	Tadeusz Ziembra



## MARRIAGES RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN - 1944 (Continued)

Date	Bride	Groom
14	Florence Marie Salles	Billy Bennett Jones
18	Irene Frances Chodkowski	Charles Edward Rollins
22	Jean Therese Howard	Harold Stevenson Bosworth
22	Rita Roderick Everett	Alden Franklin Trull
23	Dorothy Louise Silva	Willard Herman Hart
23	Olivia Rapoza	Henry Joseph Martin
23	Lucy Terzian	Edward Michael Bobolia
24	Beryl Stearns	Robert Elliot Duffie
26	Lucy Pacheco	Melvin Joseph Saulnier
30	Winifred M. Mulvey	Albert L. Reeves
Oct. 7	Esaura Alphonse	Carlos Viera
11	Sadie Mary (Norton) Lanagan	John Threlfall
14	Mary Lurena Durrigan	Benson Morris, Jr.
21	Emma LaForest (Snell) Collins	Joseph John Vera
25	Barbara Louise Harrington	Harry Kingston Sedgwick
28	Marie Joanne Roderick	Ximenes August Periera
Nov. 4	Dorothy Claire Gleason	Leslie William Baker
6	Bernice Clair Dufresne	Joseph Ernest Costa
11	Emily Sabina Perry	Joseph Correia
14	Shirley Blaine James	Francis Lee Husted
17	Audrey Millicent Lindsay	Eugene Raymond Reuter
18	Phyllis Rose Taylor	Frank B. Fondren, Jr.
18	Rosemarie Ann Lubke	Charles Richard Pickett
19	Edith Winship Burrell	Melvin Minor Wood
25	Theresa Roderick Serpa	John Pauline
25	Jeannette Noella Bergeron	Joseph Albon Martin, Jr.
25	Frances Pardee	Robert Michael Wheaton
25	Ruth Azevedo	John Gonsalves Silva
25	Mary Frias	Manuel Souza Canto
Dec. 2	Eleanor Shelton Staples	Donald Grew
2	Martha Jane Daffinee	Joseph Ruest
4	Claire Madeline Reed	Richard Arthur Chassey
9	Pauline Constance Duval	Roland Emile Francis Bellavance
12	Mary Emily Stott	Joseph Robert Rioux
16	Dorothy Pires	Francisco DeSouza, Jr.
18	Mattie Mae Brown	Charlie Ben Balusek
21	Judith Gonsalves	William Morris, Jr.
24	Mary Agnes Wright	Norman Deane Shurtleff, Jr.
26	Lillian Marie Olive Lavoie	Lawrence Edward Martel
30	Anna (Souza) Sylvia	Antonio Machado Avilla
30	Marie Irene Cecile Bell	Charles Harvey Blackburn

# DEATHS RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN—1944

Date	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Jan. 3	Mary (Tavares) Correa	67	2	27
8	Benjamin Gonsalves	59	..	..
9	Michele Fiorentino	69	10	19
9	Joseph G. Rose, Jr.	49	..	..
10	— Bisbee	..	..	1
16	Mary S. Morse (deSouza)	45	9	5
23	William J. Fitzsimmons	77	11	11
25	Daniel Whitney James	..	4	7
27	Joseph Stowell	82	..	..
27	Annie Morse	65	9	21
28	Annie E. Anthony (Bennett)	82	..	..
29	Ruth B. Studley	95	10	4
31	Manuel F. Costa	56	..	..
Feb. 13	Emily R. Staples (Steele)	77	4	19
18	Elizabeth Ann Warburton (Warburton)	66	4	30
20	Stillborn			
21	Peter Costa	50	..	..
22	Edward R. Cole	83	3	13
22	Jessy Loring (Perry)	81	9	7
24	Jeremiah Leonard Randall	89	10	14
27	John R. Forman	84	..	..
28	William H. Hunter	78	0	3
29	Charles W. Shurtleff	66	1	14
Mar. 1	Onslaw Johnson	58	..	..
3	Henry T. Gidley	65	3	19
7	Joseph O. Whitfield	60	5	20
9	Joseph A. Bilsborrow, Jr.	13	..	..
10	Ada M. (Spragg) Wright	80	7	..
12	Marie Louise Morin (Bourgeois)	64	4	23
15	Helen M. Blackburn (Minezzi)	25	10	19
19	Ada J. Lawton	67	10	7
20	Louis Fredette	58	7	5
24	Antone Sanecki	59	..	..
27	Stillborn			
29	Josephine Sylvia	26	3	27
Apr. 3	Mary Gomes Fraga	74	..	..
5	James P. Porter	71	1	20
13	Frances Cambra (Ferreira)	68	..	..
14	Joseph A. St. Denis	71	..	..
15	Ellen M. Nuttall	77	9	22
18	Charles B. Jepson	42	7	11
23	Ellen Luscombe (McCarthy)	71	..	..
26	James C. Dobson	78	4	7
26	Thomas W. Whitfield	62	2	12
29	August F. Almeida	65	..	..

## DEATHS RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN-1944 (Continued)

Date	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
May 2	Almyra B. Davis	79	1	9
2	Alberta A. Bradbury	24	11	..
6	Caroline M. Silsby	59	6	5
11	Thomas Sylvia	..	3	2
15	Clovis LeBlanc	77	..	..
15	Teofila Klubowicz	72	..	..
17	Christina Shaw	77	1	23
17	Jennison B. Haskell	80	4	29
21	Mary C. Rodriques	27	9	5
22	Charles F. Swift	83	3	..
June 1	Thomas Cooper	77	10	28
3	Martha Jane Pilling (Newton)	73	5	24
6	James C. Dodge	67	8	16
7	Evangeline C. Schroeder	77	4	6
12	Alice R. Hindle	75	9	3
13	Henry Galien	66	9	7
19	Clarence L. Harris	64	9	30
23	Richard F. Souza	14	1	8
24	Hannah E. Tripp	81	0	30
July 3	Joseph Gauthier	75	..	..
5	Flora M. (Robinson) Dailey	64	7	8
6	Ransford D. Webb	46	5	20
11	Mathilda (Delude) Richard	52	1	28
12	Aura (DeSylvia) Pacheco	69	..	..
12	James Goggin	67	..	..
14	Elsie Darwin (Peter)	56	10	16
17	Mary E. (Dextrateur) McNamara	63	10	24
18	Manuel V. Medeiros	64	11	24
31	Philip Leger	69	7	18
Aug. 7	Bertha (Paull) Lorenz	53	..	..
9	Alfred Mellor	63	7	10
11	Stillborn			
26	Charles W. Tobey	77	5	6
Sept. 4	Delores (Charbonneau) Desrochers	61	11	15
8	Susan L. Hammond (Mendell)	82	5	1
10	Margaret Galligan	3	7	28
15	Axel Nelson	38	?	?
16	John Bindas	47	..	..
19	Philomena Pinna	76	5	25
28	Alice (Valliere) Boisvert	64	0	2
29	Stillborn			
Oct. 3	William Crowther	61	11	26
6	Silas H. Rounseville	74	8	8
6	Emelia Alves (Caton)	75	..	..
7	Joaquim Perreira Silva	69	..	..

# DEATHS RECORDED IN FAIRHAVEN-1944 (Continued)

Date	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
9	Herminie Martel	79	5	11
14	Mary E. Whidden Ponte	42	..	..
15	Mary Holmes Dutra	69	..	..
17	Mary W. Jones	65	1	26
17	Elizabeth A. Shovelin (Smith)	82	..	..
18	Alfred Francis Rapoza	48	..	..
22	Stillborn			
23	Donald Charles Coppolino	..	2	..
28	Sylvanus Maker	62	8	10
29	John T. O'Connor	80	..	..
30	Cora A. Stevens	91	4	30
30	Romeo Normandin	48	6	25
30	George P. Morse	80	4	23
Nov. 1	Joseph Andrews	70	..	..
8	Kathryn Angela (Sullivan) Callaghan	41	..	..
31	William H. Kelly	76	4	15
11	Damaris Waldron (Urquhart)	87	8	4
19	Exilda (Patnaude) Rock	85	..	..
22	Philip St. Onge	71	1	3
23	Robert Cooper	77	6	9
29	Louis Manganelli	71	3	2
Dec. 2	Alice V. Guild	72	7	18
8	William H. Carpenter	73	6	11
15	Henry L. Busby	97	5	16
15	Catherine A. (Gaines) Topham	64	..	..
22	Ethelyn V. Fields (Johnson)	55	6	10
25	Ovila A. Cournoyer	36	10	1
29	Joseph Fernandes	..	..	5
31	Joseph J. Dextrateur	78	3	11
31	Antone M. Amaral	38	..	..



SCHOOL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN  
MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE  
Year 1944



## School Committee

Members	Terms expire
John S. Rogers, Jr.	1945
Elwyn G. Campbell	1945
Orrin B. Carpenter	1946
Frank M. Babbitt	1946
Mrs. Edith E. Rogers	1947
George F. Braley	1947

### CHAIRMAN

George F. Braley, 41 Laurel Street

### SECRETARY AND SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Flavel M. Gifford, 82 Fort Street

Office 3-1241

Residence 2-1355

### OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

TOWN HALL 3-1241

The office of the Superintendent of Schools is open daily from 9:00 to 12:00 A.M. and from 1:30 to 5:00 P.M. except Saturdays when it is open in the forenoon only.

Personal appointments with the Superintendent may be made at your convenience.

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT CLERK

Beatrice M. L. DeCoffe, 212 Main Street

### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Charles E. P. Thompson, M.D., 65 Center Street

### SCHOOL NURSE

M. Louise Fleming, R.N., 141 Adams Street

## School Calendar

1945

Tuesday, January 2	Schools open
Friday, February 16	Schools close
Monday, February 26	Schools open
Friday, April 13	Schools close
Monday, April 23	Schools open
Wednesday, May 30	Holiday
Wednesday, June 20	End of School Year

### SUMMER VACATION

Monday, September 10	Schools open
Friday, October 12	Holiday
Monday, November 12	Holiday
Wednesday noon, November 21	Thanksgiving Recess
Monday, November 26	Schools open
Friday, December 21	Schools close

### CHRISTMAS VACATION

1946

Wednesday, January 2	Schools open
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### NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

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7:45 A.M.—Indicates no school for all day.

12:30 P.M.—Indicates no afternoon session for  
grades 1 to 7.

It is the policy of the School Department to order the no-school signal only in the most severe weather conditions or when the transportation service is interrupted. At other times parents are expected to use their own judgment in sending children to school.

## Report of the School Committee

To the Citizens of Fairhaven:

The annual report for the School Committee for the year ending December 31, 1944 is herewith submitted.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The accompanying Financial Statement reports the expenditures for 1943 and 1944 and the budget recommended for 1945. The principal changes for 1945 are in the salary items which are always the major part of a school budget.

The change in the teaching staff has been about 25% each year for 1942, 1943, and 1944. Well qualified replacements have become more and more difficult to obtain. We have felt obliged to raise salary schedules because of this situation and because of the higher cost of living.

A committee of the Teachers' Association presented a communication in December requesting a general raise of \$200 in teachers' salaries. The School Committee did not feel that as large an amount should be added at this time but agreed to consider a general raise of \$100 to be put into effect in January or as soon as practicable thereafter. It was also felt that other employees of the School Department should be similarly raised. The 1945 budget includes the cost of these salary adjustments.

Income from the High School trust funds continues to drop as indicated in the Financial Statement, and this requires a corresponding increase in the amount to be appropriated.

### REPAIRS

The usual miscellaneous repairs have been made in heating systems, electric wiring, plumbing, roofs, windows and machines. The Special Repairs appropriation was used as follows:

Carpentry work in H. S. kitchen	\$235.81
Refinishing H. S. gym floor	184.50
Painting exterior of High School	1,876.00
Refinishing roof and side wall at East Fairhaven	312.40
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	\$2,608.71

The School Committee wishes to continue the Special Repair Program as soon as possible and requests an appropriation of \$5,000 for this purpose. Among the most important projects are a new flue from the High School boilers, rebuilding a part of the wall around the Stadium, painting the schoolhouse at East Fairhaven, and refinishing the interior of a large number of classrooms throughout the town.

The hurricane of September 14, 1944 caused damage to school property estimated at \$1,500. The portable at the Oxford School has been repaired, window glass at the Oxford and Rogers schools replaced, and damage done by water in the Tripp School boiler room has been repaired. The Rogers school roof lost a large number of slates and the work there will be completed soon.

Hurricane damage remaining to be repaired when men and materials are available include the two weather vanes at the High School, the flag pole at the Rogers School, trees to be straightened or removed at East Fairhaven and damage to shingles, flashings and ventilators on several buildings.

## CLOSING UNION STREET

The Rogers School is separated from its playground by Union Street. About 260 children cross and recross the street daily and are exposed to danger by cars and trucks. As a safety measure we would like to have the street closed to vehicular traffic between Pleasant and Chestnut Streets and we recommend that appropriate action be taken by the Annual Town Meeting. The sidewalk would be maintained as a public way as at present, but the roadway would be closed by the installation of posts, or posts and cross-bars.

## ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES

We have published annually the total payments made to every individual or business that received money from the School Department. In 1943 this required 14 pages. If the public is sufficiently interested, we shall be glad to continue this plan. However, in this year's report we have consolidated all items under \$10.00 in each classification. We can reduce the printing bill still more by consolidating the amounts up to \$25.00, or to some higher figure, or by eliminating the list entirely.

## IN CLOSING

We call to your attention the report of the Superintendent of Schools and other accompanying information which has been adopted as a part of the report of the School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. BRALEY, Chairman  
ORRIN B. CARPENTER  
FRANK M. BABBITT  
JOHN S. ROGERS, JR.  
EDITH E. ROGERS  
ELWYN G. CAMPBELL

School Committee



# Financial Statement

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXPENDITURES AND 1945 BUDGET

Also General Control, Private School Transportation,  
Out of State Travel and Adult Alien Education.

Items	Expended 1943	Expended 1944	Budget 1945
GENERAL CONTROL			
Superintendent .....	\$ 3,861.61	\$ 4,061.70	\$ 4,120.00
Other Expense .....	1,821.93	2,015.27	2,150.00
INSTRUCTION			
Teachers' Salaries .....	71,481.33	74,158.96	82,035.00
Textbooks .....	1,822.96	2,011.73	1,920.00
Supplies .....	2,205.09	1,616.36	2,200.00
OPERATION			
Janitors .....	8,751.55	8,810.23	9,300.00
Fuel .....	3,529.48	3,872.21	3,900.00
Other Expense .....	2,905.79	3,407.78	3,400.00
MAINTENANCE			
Repair and Replacement .....	900.02	799.18	700.00
OUTLAY			
Buildings and Grounds .....	.....	30.00	100.00
New Equipment .....	37.83	93.35	100.00
OTHER AGENCIES			
Transportation .....	3,877.19	4,043.16	4,100.00
Health .....	1,730.57	1,830.17	2,000.00
Tuition .....	310.85	716.04	700.00
Insurance .....	607.33	83.35	85.00
Sundries .....	379.57	346.11	350.00
Adult Alien Education .....	381.00	330.00	300.00
Total Expenditures .....	104,604.10	108,225.60	117,460.00
Appropriation .....	101,600.00	103,516.83	112,660.00
Other Income .....	4,874.77	4,708.77	4,800.00
Total Available .....	\$106,474.77	\$108,225.60	\$117,460.00



# HIGH SCHOOL EXPENDITURES AND 1945 BUDGET

Items	Expended 1943	Expended 1944	Budget 1945
<b>INSTRUCTION</b>			
Teachers .....	\$ 42,709.19	\$ 43,661.08	\$ 47,020.00
Textbooks .....	987.42	1,023.83	1,000.00
Supplies .....	1,702.55	1,475.75	1,700.00
<b>OPERATION</b>			
Janitors .....	7,708.82	8,112.00	8,600.00
Fuel .....	2,596.85	2,703.53	2,750.00
Other Expense .....	1,632.12	1,809.11	1,800.00
<b>MAINTENANCE</b>			
Repair and Replacement .....	718.36	1,037.40	1,000.00
<b>OUTLAY</b>			
Buildings and Grounds .....		343.06	300.00
New Equipment .....		472.27	300.00
<b>OTHER AGENCIES</b>			
Transportation .....	1,264.36	1,467.11	1,780.00
Health .....	344.88	552.37	600.00
Tuition .....	57.00	26.25	25.00
Insurance .....	606.20	75.00	75.00
Sundries .....	138.97	245.22	250.00
Total Expenditures .....	\$ 60,466.72	\$ 63,003.98	\$ 67,200.00
Appropriation .....	45,400.00	48,118.17	53,000.00
Other Income .....	15,598.35	14,886.80	14,200.00
Total Available .....	\$ 60,998.35	\$ 63,004.97	\$ 67,200.00
<b>SUMMARY</b>			
Elementary Schools .....	\$104,604.10	\$108,225.60	\$117,460.00
High School .....	60,466.72	63,003.98	67,200.00
TOTAL .....	\$165,070.82	\$171,229.58	\$184,660.00
From Income .....	20,473.12	19,595.57	19,000.00
From Appropriation .....	\$144,597.70	\$151,634.01	\$165,660.00

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Fairhaven:

I submit herewith my sixth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

## ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP

School Year	1940-41	1941-42	1942-43	1943-44
Average Membership.....	1,894	1,787	1,637	1,556
Percent of Attendance ...	93.02	93.24	90.71	93.55

During the school year 1943-44 the schools were in session 178 days with an attendance record of 93.55%. An improvement in regularity of attendance is noted but a record of 95% should be attempted. An absence average of more than 5% for any school is generally due to unnecessary absence.

The downward trend in school enrollment which has been evident for the last few years may have ended. Enrollment in September showed a slight increase in both high and elementary schools.

## "SCHOOL CARDS"

The issuance of Employment Permits, commonly called "School Cards", dropped about one-quarter from the number of 945 in 1943. The report for 1944 is as follows:

AGE	14-16	16-31	Total
Employment at Home .....	21	.....	21
Other Employment .....	144	516	660
Total issued .....	165	516	681

Permits were issued to 306 boys and 375 girls. The total of 681 includes 581 issued to different minors and 100 to minors who had already been issued a card in 1944.

## TEACHER CHANGES

I must report again, as in 1943, the loss of about one-fourth of the entire teaching staff. The list includes 2 principals, 3 supervisors, 2 high school teachers, and 12 elementary teachers.

Name	Began	Left	Reason
Barbara Berg	Sept. '43	June '44	Military Leave
Arthur P. Bixby	Sept. '35	June '44	To teach in Brookline
Rose B. Caton	Sept. '24	June '44	Resigned
Marion L. Congdon	Sept. '42	June '44	To teach in Grenefield
Helen B. Cushing	Sept. '38	June '44	To teach in Brookline
Agnes T. Giard	Jan. '38	June '44	Marriage
Helena S. Kennedy	Sept. '28	June '44	Marriage
Frances J. Kirschbaum	Sept. '43	June '44	Marriage
Clare W. Lindberg	Sept. '43	June '44	To teach in Weymouth
Clarence E. MaGuire	Sept. '30	June '44	Principalship in New Bedford
Gloria O. Marshall	Sept. '42	June '44	To teach in Greenfield
Virginia S. O'Connell	Sept. '43	June '44	Military Leave
Anna L. Peters	Sept. '41	May '44	Resigned
Elfreda C. Samuels	Sept. '42	June '44	Further Study
Esther E. Seisig	Sept. '43	Nov. '44	To teach in Methuen
Mildred F. Smith	Sept. '39	June '44	To teach in New Bedford
Ruth R. Stone	Sept. '41	June '44	Marriage
Martha L. Wales	Sept. '43	June '44	Resigned
Catherine S. Warner	Sept. '43	June '44	Resigned

## ORGANIZATION

The general organization of the schools remains the same except for the assignment of principals. Mrs. Helen R. Porter was transferred from a teaching position in the Tripp School to the teaching principalship at East Fairhaven. Harry Rogers was transferred from the principalship at East Fairhaven to the principalship of the Oxford School. The Anthony and Tripp Schools were assigned to Miss Elizabeth I. Hastings who had taught in Fairhaven for 23 years. Miss Hastings will also direct the testing program previously directed by Clarence E. MaGuire. Albert F. Ehnes, formerly principal of an elementary school in

Grafton, was elected principal of the Rogers School. Mrs. Ann O'D. Brow, teacher of the Special Class for 17 years, was appointed assistant principal of the Oxford School.

William T. Wood, assistant engineer at the High School, was promoted to engineer in September to take the place of Howard H. Shumway. After serving 17 years, Mr. Shumway resigned on account of his health and is now living in California.

## TRANSPORTATION

The following table indicates the number of pupils being transported at the close of the year:

School	Andrade	Cozy-Cab	U.St.Ry.	Ferguson	Total
High School .....	...	31	38	1	70
Addition .....	...	12	19	1	32
Tripp .....	...	2	...	6	8
Rogers .....	30	...	31	...	61
E. Fairhaven .....	89	...	...	...	89
St. Joseph .....	30	5	13	5	53
N. B. Vocational .....	...	3	21	...	24
Sacred Heart .....	...	1	...	...	1
	<hr/> 149	<hr/> 54	<hr/> 122	<hr/> 13	<hr/> 338

## LUNCH PROGRAM

In grades one to seven almost one-half of the children are buying milk daily. The cost to the child is two cents per half-pint with the balance of the cost paid by Federal Funds. Children who cannot pay are given milk free through the Fairhaven Mothers' Club Tag Day Fund.

Grades eight to twelve are fortunate to have a well operated cafeteria where hot lunches are available as in the past. Pupils are served in two lunch periods with almost one-half of the enrollment purchasing hot plates and two-thirds taking milk. Daily sales average about \$85.00 and there is additional income from Federal Funds.

The new lunchroom kitchen was opened for use this fall thus eliminating the difficulty caused by preparing food in the same room with a class. A cook's table, a galvanized sink and new gas stoves have been installed. Other equipment has been moved from the old kitchen to the new. Changes have been made in electric circuits, gas main, plumbing, and ventilation. A small adjoining room has been converted into a supply room. More equipment should be purchased when it becomes available.

## THE WAR EFFORT

Pupils have done what they could to help the war effort. An unusual project this fall was the collection of milkweed pods which were packed in old onion sacks and shipped to Michigan to be used in the manufacture of life-jackets. Milkweed floss is a substitute for kapok which is now unobtainable.

The Special Class at the Oxford School has made articles to be sold for the benefit of the International Children's Fund. This work and other work of the Junior Red Cross is carried on under the general supervision of Mr. Rogers and Mrs. Brow.

Mr. Ehnes reports that the sale of War Savings Stamps in the Fairhaven schools during the fall term amounted to \$5,685., an average of about 88 cents per pupil per month. December sales alone amounted to \$1624. and five out of the six schools had a buying record of over 90% which entitles them to fly the Minute-Man flag during the following month.

Waste paper collection during the fall term is reported by Mr. Ehnes as amounting to over 10 tons. Pupils of the Tripp School brought in the record average of 39 pounds per pupil.

While the specific activities reported here are for the fall term the pupils were similarly active from January to June. The schools are always ready to assist in the war effort.



## TEXTBOOKS

The textbook situation has been continually improved. New texts have been introduced throughout the elementary schools in one principal subject a year so that the annual expenditure has been about the same from year to year. The choice in each case has been preceded by a study of various texts by the Superintendent and a committee of teachers or principals.

The latest introduction is a science reading series for all grades from one to eight. New times and new knowledge require new books. These new books are intended for instruction in reading, for understanding the world about us, and for the development of individual interests by the children who read them.

## CONCLUSION

I am pleased to report that the work of the schools is going along smoothly in spite of the many changes in principals, supervisors and teachers during the past few years. We are fortunate in being able to maintain a well qualified and loyal staff.

I am including herewith the reports of other members of the school department and a number of tables for the information of the School Committee and the citizens of Fairhaven.

Respectfully submitted,

FLAVEL M. GIFFORD

Superintendent of Schools



## Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I submit herewith my eighth annual report as Principal of the Fairhaven High School. The table below shows the enrollment on October 1, 1943 and on October 1, 1944.

Grades	1943			1944		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
P. G.	0	0	0	0	1	1
12	32	54	86	44	61	105
11	47	69	116	42	70	112
10	53	75	128	49	58	107
9	66	65	131	74	83	157
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	198	263	461	209	273	482
8	68	80	148	68	68	136
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	266	343	609	277	341	618

It will be seen that there has been an increase in enrollment for the school as a whole in spite of a slight decrease in the number of Eighth Grade pupils.

During 1944 the Fairhaven High School has provided a program that encourages young people to develop their minds, increase their knowledge, add to their skill, improve their health, enlarge their friendships, and contribute to the welfare of the community and the nation. While not every pupil has made full use of these opportunities, there has been evidence of a spirit of loyalty to the school and a willingness to cooperate with the faculty. Under these conditions it has been possible to achieve some excellent results.

People naturally associate intellectual development with the work of the school. Reading, study, discussion, recitation and examination are designed to add to the store of useful knowledge and to increase ability to think and to express ideas. No one should expect these ends to be

reached if the means are neglected, yet some appear to do so. They hope that somehow their marks will be satisfactory in spite of unnecessary absence, neglected study, and forgotten assignments. In so far as this is caused by immaturity, parents and teachers have obvious responsibilities as guides and counsellors.

More than twenty-five per cent of the class graduated in June 1944 entered advanced schools or colleges. Girls from this class received two of the three scholarships given by the New Bedford College Club. One boy received a scholarship at Williams College and a girl was awarded a scholarship by Pembroke College. The certificate privilege of the school remains in full force as has been the case for many years.

At the Graduation Exercises June 21, 1944 the following prizes were awarded:

The Julia A. Sears Essay Prize  
Marjorie Myra Terry

The D. A. R. Good Citizenship Award  
Ruth Besse

The Lady Fairhaven Award  
Ruth Besse

The Lady Fairhaven Cup  
Anne Elizabeth Lawton  
Robert Martin Mahoney, Jr.

The College Club Book  
Janice Braley, 1945

The Harvard Club Book  
Bradford Pierce, 1945

Parts in the program were taken by the three students with highest honors: Elizabeth Louise Kobak, Ruth Besse and Adrianna Jeannette VanderPol. The address of the afternoon was ably given by Mr. Cameron Beck.

Improvement of health is a matter of vital concern to any community. Instruction in health is given at suitable

times in classes in civics, general science, biology, home economics and physical education. Health classes are conducted in Grade Eight.

Proper nutrition has a bearing on the health of young people. Our new cafeteria kitchen greatly facilitates the preparation and serving of hot, wholesome, and attractive lunches. Miss Jameson reports that about three hundred fifty pupils purchase hot plates daily and many others buy milk, sandwiches, or desserts. At present some pupils are obliged to eat from trays held on their laps. The installation of modern cafeteria tables with attached stools would improve the seating facilities and make easier the care of the lunch room floor.

The cooking laboratory, now available throughout the day for classes in foods preparation, has considerable obsolete equipment that should be replaced when possible in order to provide first rate facilities for girls in this department.

Closely related to health and physical development is the athletic program. Girls under the direction of Miss La-Rochelle have classes in physical education and play basketball, hockey and softball. Boys under the care of Mr. Entin have classes in physical education and play football, basketball and baseball. The gymnasium has been improved by the resurfacing of the floor during the summer.

The 1944 Basketball season was a satisfactory one. We won more than half of the games played and entered a team in the South Shore Tournament held in Brockton.

Thirteen Baseball games were played in 1944. Of these we won eight. This included one victory over New Bedford High School.

Our Football season this fall was very satisfactory. The team suffered one defeat and played one tie game, but it won all the other games on the schedule. This record included a notable victory over New Bedford High School on November 11. While we all realize that the playing of a team in any season may be highly commendable without such a victory, nevertheless, it was gratifying that the skillful coaching of Mr. Entin, the successful leadership of co-captains Young and Lopes, and the spirited team work of

the players should have ended the 1944 season so happily for Fairhaven.

As usual the Fairhaven Varsity Club gave the squad a banquet and this year the club also presented the letter men with silver footballs. The Fairhaven Association of Business Men recognized the fine work of the team by presenting the letter men with sweaters.

The organization of the school has been improved by restoring the position of Dean of Girls. Miss Edith Rogers is serving with understanding and skill in this important post. When not teaching classes Miss Rogers counsels girls about attendance, school achievement, educational and vocational plans, and personal problems. She also talks with parents and tries to coordinate the work of the school and the influence of the home for the welfare of the pupil. Similar work for boys has been carried on in efficient manner for several years by Mr. Walter D. Wood, the Assistant Principal.

Each year the Senior class, with the assistance of Miss Margaret Siebert, publishes a year book, **The Huttlestonian**. In 1944 the Eastern Massachusetts Scholastic Press Association after examining and judging year books from many schools awarded first prize in Class C to **The Huttlestonian**.

In line with the trend to stress ability to speak and understand a foreign language, oral work is receiving additional emphasis in classes in French. Some use is made of suitable recordings to accustom pupils to the sound of the language. There is need of a good electric phonograph and a few more records when they can be secured to supplement the excellent spoken French of the teacher, Miss Giguere. During the summer of 1944 Miss Giguere was selected to give instruction in French to the celebrated Trapp family at Stowe, Vermont.

Classes in printing have done work for the School Department, the Fairhaven Ration Board, the Fairhaven Boys' Club and the American Legion, Post 166. Boys in wood-working classes have built shelves for a new food supply room and have done valuable work in repairing school equipment.

The Band, Orchestra, and Ensemble have played for a number of organizations in town and their work has received much favorable comment.

Last spring a successful production of **The Mad Hat-**



ters was given by the Senior Class under the direction of Miss Mabel Hoyle. The profit was used for the expenses of the Senior banquet and prom and for the class gift of seventy-five dollars to start a fund for the purchase of a sound moving picture projector for the school. The F. J. I. A. also gave twenty-five dollars to this fund.

Beginning this fall a course in elementary science has been added to the work of the Eighth Grade.

Many activities of the school are naturally associated with the War effort. Speakers from the Army and Navy have kept upper class boys informed of the opportunities in the various branches of the Service. Stamps and bonds are sold in every home room and a teachers' bond club encourages regular purchases on the part of the faculty. The Student Council has made the sale of stamps and bonds one of its major interests. Another project of the Council was the mailing of Christmas cards to former F. H. S. students now in the Service. At an assembly this fall students contributed the money to finance the undertaking. The two-color printing was done in our own shop and the photograph of the school in winter was furnished by the Principal. The Band added its own greeting to servicemen who belonged to this organization while in school. Many letters testify to the pleasure these cards have brought to boys in many parts of the world. Boys at home on leave visit the school in considerable numbers and express their continuing interest and loyalty. During 1944 one hundred forty service men and women signed the attractive guest book of the school provided by the Student Council. The Honor Roll with about eight hundred names is revised every few months and attracts much thoughtful attention on the part of young people and adults.

Paper salvage has been carried on with renewed vigor this fall under the direction of Mr. James Parkinson who has been a member of the High School faculty for twenty-five years. The school now has its own baler and boys prepare the waste paper for sale. Since September, over a ton of paper has been disposed of and the money received has been added to the moving picture projector fund.

Tin salvage is carried on regularly by the F. J. I. A. with Miss Anna Malone in charge. This group also makes various articles for the American Red Cross.



For two years the High School Principal has served on the War Problems Committee of the Massachusetts High School Principals' Association.

Three teachers, Miss Siebert, Miss Wentzell and Miss Kenny, are giving volunteer service at St. Luke's Hospital in this period of acute labor shortage. Many pupils are working part time in homes, stores and factories. This may well provide valuable work experience and a feeling of satisfaction because of the help given the War effort, but there is constant danger that school work will be slighted by these employed students unless there is adequate parental supervision.

As usual this has been a year marked by understanding and valuable assistance on the part of the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee. For this we at the High School gladly express our thanks and to the tasks ahead we pledge our best endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER M. DOWNING

Principal.

## Report of School Physician

To the Superintendent of Schools  
and Parents of School Children:

During the past four years of war we have had an opportunity to evaluate the physical defects which have been the cause of so many rejections by the armed forces. Many of these boys did not have their physical defects corrected during their school years when they were called to the attention of parents by the School Physician.

Every day I note the apparent lack of interest of some parents who do not seem to care if their child has a beginning deafness, or teeth which should be filled or extracted, or eyesight below normal. These defects are listed on the "Parents' Notification Slip" which is sent home with the admonition to have it signed and returned to school the next day for use by the Nurse or Physician. Children report sometimes that the parents were too busy to sign the slip. As this takes not more than five seconds, it should be worth that to any "busy parent" in terms of the child's health.

The human body is the most wonderful and intricate machine ever produced and each part must run smoothly. This cannot prevail if there are physical defects which are allowed to continue untreated. They "clog the machinery" and result in inferior work done by the "machine".

Perfection is a difficult goal in health as in other human pursuits but it does not mean that we should diminish our efforts. As a football team strives to score a touchdown so our health team composed of the parents, teachers, Nurse, and Physician should strive to score success in the health program. The effort is worth while but in many cases the play is held up by the parents. When the parents work with the rest of the team we can score.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. P. THOMPSON, M.D.

School Physician

## Report of School Nurse

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I present herewith my second annual report as School Nurse.

Now that we are in our fourth year of war, the need for doctors by the armed forces has greatly increased leaving fewer doctors on the home front. The responsibility for the health of the children falls more and more on the parents. Their greatest aid to hold the sick cases from soaring to new heights is to prevent them by taking precautions and following the advice of School and Town Health Departments.

The School Nurse by regular checks with the parents, teachers, doctor, and dentist, endeavors to protect the health of the children. Schools are visited once a week and more often if necessary.

Clinics were held during the year to discover defects of ears, eyes, and teeth. The mental clinic for retarded children was also held. Diphtheria immunization was given under the auspices of the Board of Health.

The nurse assisted in the milk program. Pupils purchase one-half pint per day for two cents and the remainder of the cost is paid by the Federal Foods Distribution Administration.

### SUMMARY OF YEAR'S WORK

Classroom visits .....	876
Follow-up cases .....	196
Office calls .....	82
Referred to School Physician .....	5
Pupils for Mental Clinic .....	18
Audiometer tests .....	896
Pupils for Toxin Antitoxin .....	77
Accidents in Schools .....	7

### DENTAL CLINIC

The School Nurse cooperates with the Board of Health Dental Clinic held each Tuesday and Thursday morning

from 8:30 to 11:30. The first four grades were examined at the beginning of the school year. Pupils of all grades may go to the clinic by arrangement with the Nurse.

### SUMMARY OF DENTAL WORK

Cleanings .....	111
Fillings .....	156
Examinations .....	8
Treatments .....	4

Respectfully submitted,

M. LOUISE FLEMING, R.N.

School Nurse and  
Agent of Board of Health

# Present Corps of Teachers

December 1944

HIGH SCHOOL

Began	Name	College
1937	Chester M. Downing, A.B., M.Ed. Principal	Brown Harvard
1929	Walter D. Wood, A.B., M.A. Asst. Principal	Clark
1934	Edith Rogers, B.S. Dean of Girls	University of Vermont
1941	Byard C. Belyea, B.S., M.Ed. On Military Leave	University of N. H. Boston University
1939	Alexander M. Clement, B.S. On Military Leave	North Adams
1944	Mary I. Cook, A.B.	Wheaton
1938	Earl J. Dias, A.B.	Bates
1939	Melvin Entin, B.S.	R. I. State
1943	Mary F. Fitzpatrick, B.S.	Mass. State
1930	Alice W. Gidley	Simmons
1931	Cecile Giguere, B.S., M.A.	Bridgewater Middlebury
1944	Joan R. Hall, B.S.	Keene, N. H.
1928	Mabel G. Hoyle, A.B., M.A.	Tufts Boston University
1941	Dorothea L. Jameson, B.S.	Simmons
1933	Edith G. Kenny, A.B.	Brown
1928	Robert C. Lawton, B.S., M.Ed.	Northeastern Boston University
1939	Grace E. Libbey, B.S.	Burdett Nasson
1919	James Parkinson	Boston Sloyd
1926	Lena J. Russell	New Britain, Conn. Bay Path Institute
1922	Margaret Siebert, A.B., M.Ed.	Tufts Harvard
1942	Cuthbert W. Tunstall	Fitchburg
1942	Maud O. Walker, A.B.	Boston University
1929	Marie R. Wentzell, B.S.	Salem
1942	Evelyn L. Teixeira Clerk	



## ADDITION

<b>Began</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>College</b>
1937	Chester M. Downing, A.B., M.Ed. Principal	Brown Harvard
1943	Catherine A. Boylan, A.B.	Regis
1944	Gertrude E. Gidley	
1927	Anna P. Malone, B.S.	Fitchburg Boston University
1944	Rose M. Mellios, B.S.	Bridgewater
1941	W. Wilbor Parkinson, B.S. On Military Leave	Bridgewater
1936	Agnes A. Smith, B.S.	Bridgewater

## ROGERS SCHOOL

1944	Albert F. Ehnes, B.S., M.Ed. Principal	Bridgewater Boston University
1902	Mary A. S. Sales Asst. Principal	Framingham
1943	Margery E. Coffin, B.S.	Boston University
1944	Alma E. Denzler, B.S.	New Haven, Conn.
1923	Mildred R. Hall	Lyndon Center, Vt.
1921	Mary S. Fletcher	Salem
1943	Elaine M. Kamandulis, B.S.	Bridgewater
1925	Hazel M. Lovering	Framingham
1944	Serena E. Morse, B.S.	Bridgewater
1925	Helen L. Newton	Bridgewater

## EAST FAIRHAVEN SCHOOL

1941	Helen R. Porter	Hyannis
1937	Elina H. Davidson	Fitchburg
1943	Gertrude L. Mackinaw, B.S.	Bridgewater
1937	Anne Surinski, B.S.	Bridgewater
1937	Dorothy S. Turner, B.S.	Bridgewater

## JOB C. TRIPP SCHOOL

1921	Elizabeth I. Hastings, B.S., M.S. Principal	Boston University
1943	Ellen E. Rex, B.S. Asst. Principal	Bridgewater Boston University

<b>Began</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>College</b>
1944	Dorothea L. Donovan, B.S.	Frammingham
1944	Marjorie M. Gilmore, B.S.	Fitchburg
1944	Lorraine D. Kelley	Hyannis
1944	Edna A. Mauriello, B.S.	Salem
1941	Dorothy B. Rogers	Frammingham
1922	Mildred E. Webb	Bridgewater
<b>EDMUND ANTHONY, JR. SCHOOL</b>		
1921	Elizabeth I. Hastings, B.S., M.S.	
	Principal	Boston University
1932	Mary Toledo	Frammingham
	Asst. Principal	
1943	Edna M. Egan	Westfield
1922	Caroline R. Gilmore, B.S.	Bridgewater
1944	Dorothy F. Hinckley, B.S.	Hyannis
1944	Shirley B. Jerrard, B.S.	Hyannis
1944	Jeannette A. Mulvey, B.S.	Bridgewater
1923	Edith A. M'Namara	Frammingham
1943	Virginia S. O'Connell, B.S.	Frammingham
	On Military Leave	

#### **OXFORD SCHOOL**

1942	Harry Rogers, A.B.	Clark
	Principal	
1927	Ann O'D. Brow	Bridgewater
	Asst. Principal	
1943	Barbara Berg, B.S.	Hyannis
	On Military Leave	
1944	Eleanor M. Chace, B.S.	Bridgewater
1941	Charlotte M. Forgeron, B.S.	Hyannis
1943	Agnes T. Gleason	Hyannis
1944	Mary A. Keane, B.S.	Bridgewater
1943	Alice R. MacKenzie	Frammingham
1944	Elizabeth C. Murphy, B.S.	Salem
1944	Edna M. Stowe, B.S.	Hyannis

#### **SUPERVISORS AND SPECIAL TEACHERS**

##### **SUPERVISOR OF VOCAL MUSIC**

1944	Marguerite A. Johnson	N. E. Conservatory
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##### **SUPERVISOR OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC**

1921	Elizabeth I. Hastings, B.S., M.S.	Boston University
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##### **SUPERVISOR OF ART**

1944	Pauline Lantz, B.S.	Mass. School of Art
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# SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Began	Name	College
1944	Hazel M. LaRochelle, B.S.	Hyannis

# ADULT ALIEN EDUCATION

1939	Mary A. Smith	Herricks Institute
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# DIRECTOR OF BAND AND ORCHESTRAS

1927	Clarence W. Arey	
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# JANITORS AND ENGINEERS

Began	Name	Assignment
1938	William T. Wood, Engineer	High School
1944	James J. Hanlon, Asst. Engineer	" "
1931	Thomas Duckworth, Head Janitor	" "
1942	James E. Holden, Military Substitute	" "
1942	Richard H. Jenney	" "
1939	John W. Schofield	" "
1939	Elmer W. Walker, On Military Leave	" "
1913	Charles H. Lawton	Rogers
1936	Edward Richard	Oxford
1932	Arthur H. Westgate	Anthony
1929	H. James Ellis	Tripp
1925	Walter G. Spencer	E. Fairhaven

# AGE AND GRADE TABLE

October 1, 1944

Age	GRADES														Totals
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	PG	Special	
5	42														42
6	93	37													130
7	12	65	56												133
8	4	23	61	42											130
9		5	27	55	42									2	131
10		3	8	24	50	44	2							3	134
11			3	6	27	50	38	1						3	128
12				5	10	19	57	48	1					5	145
13				1	2	12	23	48	56	1				8	151
14						5	19	25	61	39	6			2	157
15							1	13	31	51	51	1		1	149
16							1	1	6	15	45	56			124
17									2	1	9	38	1		51
18											1	8			9
19												2			2
20															
21															
Totals	151	133	155	133	131	130	141	136	157	107	112	105	1	24	1616

Note:—The numbers directly above and directly below the heavy line include pupils who may be considered of normal age and grade.

# TABULATION OF ATTENDANCE RECORDS

## School Year Ending June 1944

SCHOOL	Grade	TEACHER	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance	Tardiness
High	9-12	Chester M. Downing	478	442	415	93.86	511
Addition	8	Catherine A. Boylan	34	32	31	94.98	34
Addition	8	Agnes A. Smith	40	34	32	93.47	35
Addition	8	Elizabeth I. Hastings	40	39	36	93.44	45
Addition	8	Anna P. Malone	43	40	38	93.72	34
Rogers	7	Ruth B. Wilbur (Sub.)	26	26	24	94.10	35
Rogers	7	Margery E. Coffin	29	27	26	96.09	24
Rogers	6	Elaine M. Kamandulis	30	28	26	94.03	17
Rogers	6	Doris D. Bruce (Sub.)	32	29	27	93.59	21
Rogers	5	Mary S. Fletcher	35	30	29	95.69	35
Rogers	4	Helen L. Newton	28	24	23	95.90	24
Rogers	3	Hazel M. Lovering	26	26	23	92.59	14
Rogers	2	Mary A. S. Sale	37	31	29	93.37	18
Rogers	1	Mildred R. Hall	33	29	26	91.15	17
Oxford	7	Helena S. Kennedy	25	23	21	94.07	12
Oxford	6	Alice R. MacKenzie	29	28	26	90.55	2
Oxford	5	Agnes T. Gleason	27	25	23	93.82	23
Oxford	4	Frances J. Kirschbaum	30	27	25	94.36	10
Oxford	3	Charlotte M. Forgeron	38	34	32	94.06	56
Oxford	2	Barbara Berg	37	32	29	92.62	6
Oxford	1-2*	Eileen O'Connell	20	4	4	96.91	0
Oxford	1	Martha L. Wales	31	27	25	91.57	59
Oxford	Sp.	Ann O'D. Brow	22	12	11	92.28	14
Anthony	7	Marion L. Congdon	27	26	25	95.57	31
Anthony	6	Mary Toledo	27	25	24	94.68	19
Anthony	5	Edith A. M'Namara	33	30	28	93.71	14
Anthony	4	Virginia S. O'Connell	32	28	26	92.81	24
Anthony	3	Edna M. Eagan	33	28	27	94.01	32
Anthony	2	Mildred F. Smith	34	31	28	90.77	55
Anthony	1	Gloria O. Marshall	29	28	25	89.91	10
Tripp	7	Ellen E. Rex	28	27	25	94.54	53
Tripp	6	Ruth R. Stone	29	28	26	93.31	37
Tripp	5	Helen R. Porter	24	18	17	95.15	27
Tripp	4	Esther E. Seisig	30	26	24	93.12	63
Tripp	3	Dorothy B. Rogers	29	25	23	93.80	17
Tripp	2	Clare W. Lindberg	29	23	21	91.17	25
Tripp	1	Mildred E. Webb	29	24	22	91.33	23
E. Fairhaven	5	Harry Rogers	32	30	29	95.20	12
E. Fairhaven	4	Gertrude L. Mackinav.	31	26	24	93.21	39
E. Fairhaven	3	Anne Surinski	24	24	22	94.29	31
E. Fairhaven	2	Dorothy S. Turner	41	36	34	92.40	57
E. Fairhaven	1	Elina H. Davidson	25	24	22	91.92	27
Totals			1,736	1,556	1,453	93.55	1,642

\* Combined Grades in session only 7 weeks.



## SCHOOL ENROLLMENT BY SCHOOL AND GRADE

OCTOBER 1, 1944

School	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Sp.	Tot.
Oxford	39	26	34	28	25	23	27	....	24	226
Rogers	25	32	32	28	26	58	61	....	....	262
Anthony	32	28	33	30	28	29	26	....	....	206
Tripp	30	23	23	24	24	20	27	....	....	171
E. Fairhaven	25	24	33	23	28	....	....	....	....	133
Addition	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	136	....	136
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Total Elem.	151	133	155	133	131	130	141	136	24	1134
High School IX	157; X 107; XI 112; XII 105; P.G. 1									482
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Total Enrollment										1616

## SUMMARY OF ENROLLMENT

1930 - 1944

October 1	Elementary	High School	Total
1930	1764	406	2170
1931	1669	500	2169
1932	1714	546	2260
1933	1640	583	2223
1934	1649	624	2273
1935	1631	606	2237
1936	1589	648	2237
1937	1423	670	2093
1938	1431	709	2130
1939	1326	702	2028
1940	1267	690	1957
1941	1237	613	1850
1942	1172	506	1678
1943	1113	460	1573
1944	1134	482	1616

## SCHOOL ENTRANCE

Children may enter the first grade if they are five years and six months of age on or before September 1 of the current school year. Consequently children will be admitted to the first grade in September 1945 if born on or before March 1, 1940. Certificate of birth and vaccination are required at the time of entrance.

## COMPULSORY SCHOOL AGE

All children must attend school between the ages of seven and sixteen. Certain exceptions may be made by written permission of the Superintendent of Schools for children who have reached the age of fourteen and have completed the sixth grade.

## EMPLOYMENT OF MINORS

Employment permits, sometimes called "School Cards", are required for all persons under twenty-one who are employed in manufacturing, mechanical, mercantile, and certain other work. These may be obtained at the office of the Superintendent of Schools. The minor must appear in person and present a birth certificate or other suitable evidence of age.

## REGISTRATION OF MINORS

October 1, 1944

Age Groups	5-7	7-16	Illiterate 16-21	Total
Boys	178	818	7	1003
Girls	209	828	.....	1037
Total	387	1646	7	2040

Distribution:

In Public Schools	170	1287	.....	1457
In Private Schools	76	292	.....	368
In Vocational Schools	.....	12	.....	12
In Continuation Schools	.....	11	.....	11
Not in School	141	44	7	192
Total	387	1646	7	2040

## Itemized Expenditures

### GENERAL CONTROL

Flavel M. Gifford, Superintendent .....	\$ 4,061.70
Flavel M. Gifford, Travel Expense .....	175.79
Beatrice M. DeCoffe, Clerk .....	1,352.00
Evelyn L. Teixeira, Substitute Clerk .....	41.90
Dorothy S. Kearns, School Census .....	83.60
Charles H. Lawton, Attendance Officer .....	175.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. ....	60.01
Vining Press .....	16.70
American Press .....	35.00
James Evans, Postmaster .....	44.76
Payments under \$10.00 .....	30.51
	\$ 6,076.97

### TEXTBOOKS

The Macmillan Co. ....	\$ 37.72
Charles Scribner's Sons .....	945.48
World Book Co. ....	31.41
Noble & Noble .....	10.38
Ginn & Co. ....	499.73
The Grolier Society .....	45.50
Houghton Mifflin Co. ....	249.72
Rand McNally & Co. ....	25.36
Scott, Foresman & Co. ....	122.04
Payments under \$10.00 .....	44.39
	\$ 2,011.73

### SUPPLIES

American Education Press, Inc. ....	\$ 135.20
J. L. Hammett Co. ....	154.96
Scott, Foresman & Co. ....	233.45
Frontier Press Co. of Boston .....	12.64
World Book Co. ....	196.83
Boston Music Co. ....	11.36
Green & Wood Inc. ....	20.08
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc. ....	139.47

Baldwin & Co. ....	11.25
Cascade Paper Co. ....	21.26
The Keystone Office .....	13.80
Gledhill Bros. ....	337.99
Webster Publishing Co. ....	17.07
Robert A. Wilcox Co., Inc. ....	237.09
Houghton Mifflin Co. ....	26.09
James W. Brine Co., Inc. ....	17.38
Payments under \$10.00 .....	30.44
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	\$ 1,616.36

#### TEACHERS

Clarence E. MaGuire .....	\$ 1,634.22
Albert F. Ehnes .....	868.35
Margery E. Coffin .....	1,239.49
Mary A. S. Sale .....	1,900.03
Ruth Wilbur .....	699.00
Serena E. Morse .....	513.15
Alma E. Denzler .....	552.60
Mary S. Fletcher .....	1,699.97
Elaine M. Kamandulis .....	1,239.49
Mildred R. Hall .....	1,619.45
Hazel M. Lovering .....	1,449.44
Helen L. Newton .....	1,699.97
Harry Rogers .....	1,878.93
Elina Davidson .....	1,699.97
Gertrude L. Mackinaw .....	1,339.44
Anne Surinski .....	1,699.97
Dorothy S. Turner .....	1,682.07
Ellen M. Rex .....	1,815.38
Clare W. Lindberg .....	720.02
Dorothea L. Donovan .....	473.70
Helen R. Porter .....	1,710.01
Dorothy B. Rogers .....	1,635.25
Esther Seisig .....	1,068.44
Lorraine D. Kelley .....	184.20
Ruth R. Stone .....	847.33
Edna A. Mauriello .....	473.70
Mildred E. Webb .....	1,699.97
Mary Toledo .....	1,824.99
Arthur P. Bixby .....	1,573.67
Dorothy F. Hinckley .....	470.54
Marion L. Congdon .....	786.84

Marjorie M. Gilmore .....	473.70
Virginia S. O'Connell .....	726.34
Caroline R. Gilmore .....	671.03
Edna M. Egan .....	1,514.81
Edith A. M'Namara .....	1,699.97
Gloria O. Marshall .....	794.84
Shirley B. Jerrard .....	473.70
Mildred F. Smith .....	952.11
Jeannette A. Mulvey .....	470.54
Barbara Berg .....	726.34
Edna M. Stowe .....	473.70
Helena S. Kennedy .....	1,104.61
Elizabeth C. Murphy .....	473.70
Ann O'D. Brow .....	1,809.10
Charlotte M. Forgeron .....	1,578.95
F. June Kirschbaum .....	726.34
Mary A. Keane .....	506.31
Martha L. Howe Wales .....	726.34
Eleanor M. Chace .....	473.70
Alice R. MacKenzie .....	1,455.73
Agnes T. Gleason .....	1,317.35
Catherine A. Boylan .....	1,239.49
Rose Caton .....	1,028.94
Rose M. Mellios .....	513.15
Elizabeth I. Hastings .....	2,027.84
Anna P. Malone .....	1,710.97
Helen B. Cushing .....	689.99
Hazel M. LaRochelle .....	390.75
Agnes A. Smith .....	1,655.24
Elfreda C. Samuels .....	460.02
Pauline Lantz .....	268.43
Agnes S. Giard .....	830.80
Marguerite A. Johnson .....	552.73
Cuthbert W. Tunstall .....	800.06
Clarence W. Arey .....	173.28
Chester M. Downing .....	800.05
Catherine S. Warner .....	171.79
Joan R. Hall .....	118.43
Evelyn L. Teixeira .....	202.68
Dorothea L. Jameson .....	420.05
Doris Bruce .....	801.25
Constance Lumbard .....	148.50
Thelma Bennett .....	151.25
Katherine Sherman .....	102.25
Mildred Eaton .....	139.00



Charlotte Spooner .....	27.00
Gertrude Young .....	82.00
Florence Brower .....	37.00
Frances G. Bennett .....	16.50
Hazel B. Raymond .....	46.75
Gertrude Gidley .....	506.68
Rinehart Handwriting System .....	172.50
Payments under \$10.00 .....	24.80
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	\$ 74,158.96

#### ADULT ALIEN EDUCATION

Clarence E. MaGuire .....	\$ 108.00
Mary A. Smith .....	172.00
Edward Richard .....	50.00
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	\$ 330.00

#### JANITORS

Charles H. Lawton .....	\$ 1,390.05
Walter G. Spencer .....	1,275.32
H. James Ellis .....	1,529.02
Arthur H. Westgate .....	1,500.02
Edward Richard .....	1,600.05
John W. Schofield .....	1,505.52
Payments under \$10.00 .....	10.25
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	\$ 8,810.23

#### TRANSPORTATION

Cozy Cab & Bus Co. ....	\$ 405.62
Union St. Ry. Co. ....	1,278.54
Joseph G. Andrade .....	2,050.00
Robert Ferguson .....	300.00
Spring St. Auto Service Station .....	9.00
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	\$ 4,043.16

#### FUEL

David Duff & Son .....	\$ 3,853.21
Charles F. James .....	19.00
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	\$ 3,872.21

## MISCELLANEOUS OPERATING EXPENSES

C. F. Delano .....	\$ 43.98
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co. ....	20.40
Kennedy & Kirwin .....	109.97
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. ....	406.23
Robert A. Wilcox Co., Inc. ....	30.56
N. B. Gas & Ed. Lt. Co. ....	1,718.63
Fairhaven Water Co. ....	695.68
Carl Govoni .....	10.80
David Duff & Son .....	78.00
Millicent Library .....	219.36
Days' Electric Co. ....	29.39
E. F. Dahill Jr. & Co. ....	27.00
Payments under \$10.00 .....	17.78
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	\$ 3,407.78

## REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS

Tony P. Costa .....	\$ 225.17
C. F. Delano .....	151.31
John M. Reilly .....	96.41
Reformatory for Women .....	11.60
E. G. Baldwin .....	31.49
Walter F. Douglas .....	18.70
Stanley W. Terry .....	44.50
Charles H. Sisson .....	101.78
William N. Tinkham .....	19.50
N. P. Hayes Co. ....	22.50
Days' Electric Co. ....	19.06
Payments under \$10.00 .....	57.16
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	\$ 799.18

## OUTLAY

Days' Electric Co. ....	\$ 3.95
J. L. Hammett Co. ....	89.40
T. & F. Radio & Electric Co. ....	30.00
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	\$ 123.35

### HEALTH

M. Louise Fleming, R.N. ....	\$ 1,231.62
M. Louise Fleming, R.N., Travel Expense .....	101.16
The Browne Pharmacy .....	11.99
Dr. C. E. P. Thompson .....	485.40
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	\$ 1,830.17

### MISCELLANEOUS

The Fairhaven Star .....	\$ 28.50
Hodges Badge Co. ....	16.21
Petty Cash Account .....	5.00
Anne S. Leonard .....	14.60
N. B. Dry Goods Co. ....	14.60
Commissioner of Public Safety .....	50.00
Noon Hour Duty .....	217.20
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	\$ 346.11

### INSURANCE

Humphrey & Covill .....	\$ 83.35
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### TUITION

City of New Bedford .....	\$ 716.04
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GRAND TOTAL .....	\$108,225.60

# High School

## TEACHERS

Chester M. Downing .....	\$ 3,199.99
Mary F. Fitzpatrick .....	1,408.42
Walter D. Wood .....	2,839.56
Earl J. Dias .....	1,899.99
Melvin Entin .....	2,439.50
Mabel G. Hoyle .....	1,900.01
Cecile Giguere .....	1,900.01
Dorothea L. Jameson .....	1,679.99
Edith Kenny .....	1,900.01
Grace E. Libbey .....	1,839.48
Robert C. Lawton .....	1,999.95
James Parkinson .....	2,400.05
Anna L. Peters .....	800.01
Mary D. Romer .....	150.00
Mary I. Cook .....	710.55
Lena J. Russell .....	1,307.16
Edith Rogers .....	1,978.99
Margaret Siebert .....	2,100.05
Cuthbert W. Tunstall .....	1,600.00
Catherine S. Warner .....	653.49
Joan R. Hall .....	473.70
Maud O. Walker .....	1,739.48
Marie R. Wentzell .....	1,900.01
Clarence W. Arey .....	346.75
Agnes S. Giard .....	124.13
Marguerite A. Johnson .....	78.90
Elfreda C. Samuels .....	459.99
Pauline Lantz .....	268.43
Helen B. Cushing .....	460.02
Hazel M. LaRochelle .....	260.55
Elizabeth I. Hastings .....	260.32
Evelyn L. Teixeira .....	916.35
Alice Gidley .....	1,200.04
Marie Louise Whitfield .....	300.00
Ruth Congdon .....	25.50
Gertrude Gidley .....	55.00
Bina Suzan .....	44.00
Eleanor Flathers .....	35.70
Mary Silveira .....	5.00
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\$ 43,661.08	

## TEXTBOOKS

Ginn & Co. ....	\$ 198.44
Noble & Noble .....	13.16
Houghton Mifflin Co. ....	172.91
The Gregg Publishing Co. ....	68.23
World Book Co. ....	37.91
D. C. Heath & Co. ....	50.66
Henry Holt & Co. ....	133.47
Charles Scribner's Sons .....	12.63
J. B. Lippincott Co. ....	42.79
Prentice Hall, Inc. ....	12.46
The Macmillan Co. ....	56.22
Scott, Foresman & Co. ....	16.75
R. D. Cortina Co., Inc. ....	16.95
Harcourt Brace & Co. ....	54.28
South-Western Publishing Co. ....	77.35
Payments under \$10.00 .....	59.62
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	\$ 1,023.83

## SUPPLIES

Baldwin & Co. ....	\$ 74.55
Typewriter Headquarters, Inc. ....	44.00
American Education Press, Inc. ....	36.00
American Type Founders Sales Co. ....	19.60
Green & Wood .....	17.91
The Boston Music Co. ....	29.32
South-Western Publishing Co. ....	41.44
Smith's Athletic Store .....	57.42
Carter, Rice & Co. ....	22.61
American Book Co. ....	39.22
The Keystone Office .....	15.70
New Bedford Dry Goods Co. ....	25.09
Central Scientific Co. ....	11.01
James Parkinson .....	35.00
Wild & Stevens, Inc. ....	18.09
The Lincoln Press .....	11.00
Ginn & Co. ....	76.39
Science Research Associates .....	19.50
World Book Co. ....	20.76
Central Lumber & Supply Co. ....	62.68
J. L. Hammett Co. ....	71.43
Robert A. Wilcox Co., Inc. ....	353.46
Henry Holt & Co. ....	14.13



Boston Blue Print Co. ....	30.11
H. S. Hutchinson's Book Store .....	41.85
James W. Brine Co. ....	23.02
Oxford Book Co. ....	80.00
Cascade Paper Co. ....	45.78
DeWolf & Vincent .....	32.88
The John C. Winston Co. ....	16.66
Payments under \$10.00 .....	89.14
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	\$ 1,475.75

#### JANITORS

Howard H. Shumway .....	\$ 1,364.42
William T. Wood .....	1,710.62
Thomas Duckworth .....	1,750.05
James E. Holden .....	1,416.66
Richard Jenney .....	1,416.66
James J. Hanlon .....	436.39
Payments under \$10.00 .....	17.20
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	\$ 8,112.00

#### MISCELLANEOUS OPERATING EXPENSES

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. ....	\$ 191.67
N. B. Gas & Ed. Lt. Co. ....	471.01
Days' Electric .....	72.39
Fairhaven Water Co. ....	522.60
David Duff & Son .....	24.00
John J. Gobell Co. ....	114.75
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co. ....	250.32
Kennedy & Kirwin .....	34.08
Swift & Co. ....	24.88
M. F. Ellis & Co. ....	55.50
Xavier's Service Station .....	11.91
C. F. Delano .....	18.95
Payments under \$10.00 .....	17.05
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	\$ 1,809.11

#### REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS

Babbitt Steam Specialty Co. ....	\$ 64.67
Johnson Service Co. ....	11.08
Tony P. Costa .....	55.97
Walter F. Douglas .....	69.77

N. E. Plate Glass Co. ....	18.50
Gunning Iron Works .....	19.50
The Powers Regulator Co. ....	29.87
Regis Co. ....	189.58
N. P. Hayes Co. ....	46.83
Arthur C. Smith .....	15.75
Thompson Electric .....	27.66
Days' Electric Co. ....	58.55
The Keystone Office .....	35.00
C. F. Delano .....	55.88
Ideal Mower Sales & Service .....	15.19
John M. Reilly .....	35.20
Frank C. Taylor, Inc. ....	25.00
Ralph W. Silsby .....	19.50
Baldwin & Co. ....	23.00
The Economy Valve Seat Co. ....	20.00
Singer Sewing Machine Co. ....	42.81
Charles H. Sisson .....	62.95
Payments under \$10.00 .....	95.14
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	\$ 1,037.40

#### HEALTH

M. Louise Fleming, R.N. ....	\$ 307.85
Charles E. P. Thompson, M.D. ....	241.00
The Browne Pharmacy .....	3.52
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	\$ 552.37

#### FUEL

David Duff & Son .....	\$ 2,703.53
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#### INSURANCE

Humphrey & Covill .....	\$ 75.00
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#### TRANSPORTATION

Cozy Cab & Bus Co. ....	\$ 542.16
Union St. Ry. Co. ....	924.95
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	\$ 1,467.11

## MISCELLANEOUS

Commissioner of Public Safety .....	\$	25.00
Anne S. Leonard .....		21.00
Chester M. Downing .....		27.31
Cameron Beck .....		25.00
The Fairhaven Star .....		51.75
James W. Brine Co., Inc. ....		13.93
New Bedford Laundry .....		15.54
Cook-Vivian Co. ....		16.83
Payments under \$10.00 .....		38.86
	\$	<u>245.22</u>

## TUITION

City of New Bedford .....	\$	26.25
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## OUTLAY

DeWolf & Vincent .....	\$	135.00
Days' Electric Co. ....		310.13
John M. Reilly .....		98.63
Sullivan-Foster, Inc. ....		32.93
Charles H. Sisson .....		164.14
Sears Roebuck & Co. ....		39.95
E. G. Baldwin & Co. ....		28.05
Howard H. Shumway .....		6.50
	\$	<u>815.33</u>
GRAND TOTAL .....	\$	63,003.98

## SPECIAL REPAIRS

Tony P. Costa .....	\$	235.81
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co. ....		109.50
L. C. Maud .....		75.00
Regis Construction Co. ....		2,188.40
	\$	<u>2,608.71</u>

## HURRICANE DAMAGE

E. G. Baldwin Co. ....	\$	71.50
Tony P. Costa .....		268.17
John M. Reilly .....		44.70
	\$	<u>384.37</u>

Fairhaven, Feb. 22, 1894

To the Officers of the Millicent Library

I am glad to have seen it. It is the ideal library, I think. Books are the liberated spirits of men, & should be bestowed in a heaven of light & grace & harmonious color & sumptuous comfort, like this, instead of in the customary kind of public library, with its depressing austere & severities of form & furniture & decoration. A public library is the most enduring of memorials, the truest monument for the preservation of an event or a name or an affection; for it, & it only, is respected by wars and revolutions, & survives them. ~~It~~ need and opinion change with

time, & their symbols perish; but Literature & its temples are sacred to all creeds, & inviolate. All other things which I have seen to-day must pass away & be forgotten; but there will still be a Millicent Library when by the mutations of language the books that are in it now will speak in a lost tongue to your posterity.

Truly Yours  
Mark Twain

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Miss Ellen H. Akin	1893-1919	Mrs. Eliza C. Pease	1919-1943
Edmund Anthony, Jr.	1902	Henry H. Rogers	1893-1909
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William E. Benjamin	1893-1940	George W. Stevens	1893-1908
Miss Sara B. Clarke	1912-1933	Mrs. H. H. Stillman	1919-1920
Miss Georgia E. Fairfield	1920-1928	George H. Taber	1893-1901
The Lady Fairhaven	1893-1939	George H. Tripp	1893-1943
William B. Gardner	1917-1941	Job C. Tripp	1902-1917
James L. Gillingham	1893-1912	Charles W. White, Jr.	1902-1904
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## LIBRARY STAFF

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Albin Silva ..... In Charge

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Arthur Boucher

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Mary Blum .....	General Assistant
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Roberta B. Tripp .....	General Assistant
Blanche Beardsworth .....	Substitute
Harry Barteau .....	Page

## Report of the Librarian

FOR THE YEAR 1944

To the Trustees of the Millicent Library:

1944 has been a year of looking forward—of looking beyond the present global conflict and seeing hope for a better world arising out of the ruins of war. People are thinking in terms of *"What can we do, what are we doing along the line of post-war planning?"* This is the keynote of public thought, concurrently expressed on the air, through the press. It is the keynote for individual thinking, for group discussion, for national and international planning. It is an encouraging sign—a sign that five years of awful warfare has not depressed the peoples of the world to the point of despair, but rather has awakened a firm resolution that the world shall be made a better one in which to live. It is a sign that people are thinking in terms of other people—of other nations—of brotherhood.

Libraries, too, must look forward,—in fact, are looking forward. Already this is the key topic of library meetings, some of which have recently been resumed after a curtailment due to war restrictions. The few meetings held have had particular significance. They have been stimulating, thought-provoking, and emphasis has been placed on the library's part in the post-war world. Already plans are underway to give better nationwide, statewide and townwide service to our patrons, among whom not the least will be the returned service men and women, who in the readjustment period will be entering new fields of endeavor and will need help. The recent G.I. bill which provides for educational privileges for returned service people will place tremendous demands upon our libraries. Libraries *must* hold a vital place in every community in the post-war world. Already our own State Division of Public Libraries has presented a plan for extending its service which will be far-reaching in its effect upon its work in the state. This was outlined at a fall meeting at which, among some forty representatives of various state groups, your

librarian was privileged to be one. This is the period for forethought and preparation.

In looking forward, we must occasionally look backward to see what progress we have been making. In this, the fifty-second annual report of the Millicent Library, the librarian presents to you, the Trustees, a survey of what was accomplished during 1944. Statistical charts, grouped at the end of this report, give the necessary data to make a comparison with other years as far as figures can record such information.

The year 1944 was another year overshadowed by continued war—a year of unrest for most of our patrons, many of whom are still reading far less than usual because of other demands placed upon them by the war effort.

### WHAT OUR CIRCULATION SHOWS

We circulated 78,784 books, or approximately 39 tons. This is a slight loss of 3.4% over 1943, in which year the loss was consistent, showing in every department. In 1944, it showed considerable variation, both by months and by departments. With a monthly gain for five of the first six months of the year, there then occurred a little loss in both July and August, to be followed by a sizable one in September, diminishing in October and November to a minor one in December. Beyond any doubt, the hurricane of September 14th was the cause of the large decrease in the fall. With the town in blackness, wires and fallen trees making walking dangerous, with the necessity of closing the library at dark for several days until lights were restored, with people busy with their individual problems of clearing away fallen trees and repairing home damage, it was the inevitable reaction. The same result followed the 1938 hurricane when the circulation figures took a landslide downward for the last four months of the year, after skyrocketing to new heights during the first eight months. In 1944, 82% of the year's loss occurred after the hurricane.

In adult reading, there was a 7.29% loss; in juvenile reading a 5% gain. At the main library, the adult loss was 7%; the juvenile only .94%. At the Oxford Branch,



1053 more books were circulated than in 1943, representing a juvenile gain of 1459 books, or 145%, and an adult loss of 406, or 14.5%. The Oxford School collection showed a 21.9% increase. These gains in the north section of town are interesting, and the reason a little inexplicable, since they are all juvenile gains and the school enrollment shows only two more pupils than a year ago. Perhaps the children have been encouraged by more stress placed on reading by the teachers in that school. Other gains, which were slight, occurred at the East Fairhaven and High Schools, while the Anthony School showed a loss of 21.1%. Distribution of circulation is shown in Table 1. Teachers borrowed for professional use, 72 books, and, in addition 392 pictures, borrowed chiefly by them, were issued. Children took home 56 stereoscopes.

### MEETING THE BOOK NEEDS

We have labored and are laboring under conditions made abnormal by a world at war. Books are less attractive, the paper is poor, print small, margins narrow in many volumes. Book delivery is slow. Not infrequently book orders are unfilled at the end of two or three months. Ways and means to supply the current demand for popular titles more adequately are being considered. But, in 1944, we added a normal supply of books, 1,295 of them, or 202 more than in 1943. During the year, 1,178 books were actually catalogued and placed on the shelves ready for circulation. The withdrawals were heavier than usual, 875 books, mostly worn out ones, being discarded. It is interesting to note that of our total book stock, classified in the chart at the end of this report as Table 2, non-fiction makes up 65.19% of our collection, with literature and biography the two largest classes. It shows also that 83.35% are books for adults and 16.65% for children.

75 titles were added to and 99 withdrawn from the Duplicate Pay collection. 75 books were restored to usefulness by rebinding.

Book expenditure was as follows:— Adult fiction: 29.22%; Adult non-fiction: 32.72% Juvenile fiction 28.86%; Juvenile non-fiction 9.2%.

A splendid collection of 134 periodicals, 21 of which were gift subscriptions, were currently received in 1944. In an effort to insure receiving magazines without interruption, the order for 1945 was placed over three months in advance.

### THE PEOPLE WE SERVE

2,898 names are listed among the library's borrowers for the 3-year registration period. The total represents 62.5% adults and 37.5% boys and girls. 11% are registered from the Oxford section, and 9% are non-resident borrowers. 521, or 52.5% of the year's registration of 991, were new borrowers whom we were glad to welcome to our library.

### ENCOURAGING OUR YOUTH TO READ

Habits formed in youth usually carry over into adult life. Certainly every school boy and girl in Fairhaven is encouraged to form a reading habit, through the many opportunities offered. The schools have cooperated with us splendidly, and adequate collections of books to meet the need have been maintained in the Anthony, East Fairhaven and Oxford Schools. In addition, classroom libraries were supplied when requested, and on these we had a reported circulation of 1,192.

Following a custom of many years, the use of the library was taught to all seventh graders, the classes being conducted from April 3rd to 11th.

**Summer activities:** *The Liberty Book Club.* The traditional summer reading club for the boys and girls adopted the theme of "Let Freedom Ring," and as the club work progressed, liberty bells, the flags of allied nations and stars were part of weekly awards that adorned a colorful project which spread its arch of bells across a miniature lake after the pattern of a display at an exposition. Interest was stimulated, and to earn their credits, the children eagerly surrendered ration points from their little books. While the active membership of 20 youngsters was smaller than usual, enthusiasm ran high, and they read a total of

406 books. We thought we had reached a top record in 1943 with a 69% non-fiction reading record. That record was topped with 76.85% in 1944. It proves that with repeated emphasis on supervised non-fiction reading, children will read and enjoy reading non-fiction. The 1944 reading represented 27.1% biography, 16.5% travel, 15% history, 18.25% all other classes, with fiction claiming the balance of 23.15%.

On November 11th, a fitting day for a club with a patriotic theme to hold a celebration, a closing party was held, at which the highlight was the awarding of books and war-saving stamps as prizes.

**The Story Hours:** To the 11 story hours, held in connection with the club on each Wednesday morning during the summer, came a long trail of interested boys and girls. The third highest summer attendance of 98 was reached in 1944, and 40% of these youngsters came on the school bus engaged by the library to convey them from the north end of town. We are grateful for the fine stories, which held the interest of the children, as told during the summer by Mrs. Joseph Eaton, Mrs. Flavel Gifford, Mrs. Chester F. Hathaway, Mrs. Harold E. Kerwin, Mrs. W. L. MacKinnon, Miss Beatrice Mosgrove and Mrs. Clifford A. Shaw. Several story hours were conducted by members of the library staff.

## OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

**Book Week Observance:** Early in Book Week, the librarian visited the elementary schools, told stories, and sent into the homes through the children special invitations to the parents to visit the library. "United through Books" was the national slogan for 1944, and it was fittingly portrayed in several exhibits attractively arranged by Miss Steele. On the bulletin board was the national Book Week poster — in a lighted alcove were pamphlets about the allied countries — a central table display showed high in the center a globe of the world, surrounded by books about countries and peoples, and edged with flags of 28 nations — a colorful victory "V" poster was gay with national flags and painted figures showing people in national costumes.

In all of these, the value that books may have in helping to bring about peace through unity was expressed.

**The Tea:** We felt gratified that on the rainy afternoon of November 16th 60 people attended the Book Week Tea, the sixteenth to be held. Mrs. James H. C. Marston and Mrs. Elwyn G. Campbell poured, and were assisted by 7 children, honored members of the summer reading club. It was a happy occasion, the atmosphere was conducive to browsing, and many lingered to examine the several exhibits of new books arranged in the Trustees' Room, the Juvenile Room and the main part of the library.

**Special Story Hour:** This, on Saturday morning, November 18th, led by Mrs. Harold B. Dutton, who contrasted old and new books for children, held a group of 85 children at eager attention, and concluded our Book Week activities.

## GIFTS

With the gift of an autograph and portrait of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, from Mrs. Beatrice Cartwright, our collection of presidential autographs was completed and has been much admired. Sent also by her was a book "Portraits of our Presidents," by Alfred Pach, and a picture of herself which has been hung in the Trustees' Room.

Mr. Henry Rogers Benjamin sent three splendid photographs of his grandfather's yacht "The Kanawha" and a booklet on the launching of a ship named for Mr. H. H. Rogers.

Mrs. Allerton Delano presented us with some remarkable pictures, largely actual photographs of places and interesting works of art throughout the world. These will be very useful in the picture file.

122 books were received as gifts, some coming from various publishers and associations, and others from some of our own townspeople, namely Miss Esther Blaisdell, Mr. Bradley D. Goldthwaite, Mrs. Lothrop Hedge, Mrs. Sarah Jordan, Mr. James Reynolds, Mr. Howard H. Shumway,



Miss Lucy Tappan, Miss Anna B. Trowbridge, Mrs. H. D. Waldron and Miss Alice Winchester. To these people we are grateful for their thoughtfulness.

## **EXHIBITS**

The exhibit case has held a variety of interesting things during the year from old and odd pincushions to curios loaned by Miss Margaret Mooney, coins loaned by David Razon, and objects, such as pins, beads, laces, embroidery and woven work, showing the skill of people from several European countries. For the last exhibit of the year was a display of pictures and samples of Zulu handicraft loaned by Miss Beals of our own staff.

## **THE LIBRARY BUILDING AND GROUNDS**

The September hurricane brought wreckage to every one of the beautiful elms on the east of the library, and caused damage which we hope is not irreparable to the row of lovely Douglas firs on the south. In comparison, the building damage, chiefly roof damage and a broken pane of glass in the Children's Room caused when a huge tree fell against it, was minor and repairable, while century old trees cannot be replaced.

Minor electrical repairs have been made and in the boiler a new return pipe was installed by the janitor. In the summer, both electrical fans were repaired.

Adding to our equipment, we purchased two footstools for stack use and a much needed typewriter table.

## **TAKING STOCK OF OURSELVES**

Seeing ourselves as others see us is the position the librarian placed herself in, in May, when she and Miss Trowbridge made a trip visiting a number of libraries in size similar to ours. We exchanged ideas with other librarians, we saw ways of improving our facilities. One



immediate result was a change in the arrangement of our Reading Room. We needed just this stimulus to remedy a condition long unsatisfactory. A magazine rack, unused for years, was dug out from the dust and again put into service, but with changes. Rods were fitted to hold the magazines upright. Taking the magazines off the table and arranging them alphabetically in the rack accomplished two things:—a more convenient arrangement for our patrons, and free uncluttered tables. By the rearrangement of furniture, we created a more restful and spacious appearance, on which we have had numerous comments.

We learned how other libraries were or were not meeting the help shortage; we put into action a plan of trying out high school girls as pages, instead of boys, who had become restless, lured by after school jobs paying more. To date the experiment has worked out happily and these girls are not only shelving but are marking books, helping with clippings and various odd jobs under supervision.

We obtained statistics of hours, salaries paid, of qualifications required of personnel, and in measuring ourselves with others we learned much of value.

## THE STAFF

On February 1st, Miss Roberta Tripp resigned to be married; on August 1st, Miss Mary Blum, and on September 15, Miss M. Winifred Knapp accepted more lucrative positions. Each of these members, serving respectively for approximately three, six and one year periods, filled a particular niche in our library routine, rendering valuable service and it was with great regret that we had to relinquish them.

We made a fortunate selection in filling two of the full-time vacancies, in Miss Rita Steele, a recent graduate of Simmons College School of Library Science, who came to us in July, and in Miss Mary Beals, a graduate of Wheaton College who came in September bringing with her a background of teaching experience.

Of great help is the half-time service Mrs. Olive Crowell has given us since February 1st, as an assistant,

chiefly at the circulation desk. Miss Mary Blum has occasionally substituted since her resignation, and the three High School girls, Barbara Long, Mary Quinn and Patricia Wilbor have worked varying hours.

Library meetings were of particular professional value this year and several were attended by the librarian, accompanied on three occasions by another member of the staff as well.

### **TRUSTEES**

The one vacancy on the Board of Trustees at the beginning of the year was filled on April 7th by the appointment of Mr. George A. Greene.

Miss Trowbridge, who had been a competent and faithful treasurer of the Board since January 11, 1938, felt compelled to give up the task, which Mr. Luther continued through the December meeting.

### **LABOR PROBLEMS IN WARTIME**

Staff changes have presented difficult problems. In less than a year and a half, from April 1, 1943 to September 15, 1944, there was a complete turnover of the Millicent Library staff, excepting only the librarian, one substitute and the janitor. Three of these changes as have already been noted, occurred in 1944. The matter of replacement has demanded considerable thought and foresight, and a great expenditure of time. With wages creeping higher and higher for unskilled workers, in many cases even above what professional people are commanding, it seemed inevitable that some revisions would have to be made in our system. The comparison made with other libraries earlier in the year showed us that most of them required their workers to have at least a college education, and in many cases additional library school training, while we had established no definite standards. In the past twenty-five years, standards for library workers have been tremendously raised. Once there was a time when, in a small town, the library was more or less of a social center especially

attractive to those who liked to read,—when the assistant's duties were so light that there was spare time for crocheting, when the public opinion was that almost anyone could sit at the desk and charge books. Today, a library worker must know her trade, if the kind of service for which people are asking is to be given; must know how to dispense the information contained in books. He or she must know the job, just as the toolmaker knows his, just as the glassmaker knows how to blow a fine piece of glass. The Library, in fifty years, has become a great educational force comparable with the school system. Its standards should be high, for the libraries of the country are carrying on where the schools leave off, serving all who seek, and seeking to serve still others.

A library is only as efficient as its working staff is efficient, so it was a big step forward for us, when in an effort to replace our staff satisfactorily, our standards were raised by the vote taken last June by the Board of Trustees that we should seek to fill three of the vacancies which had recently occurred with people well qualified for the work. As already mentioned, two vacancies have been very satisfactorily filled. The position of cataloger, an essential need, is still unfilled at the end of the year, but up to date Miss Steele and the librarian have been carrying on that work as fast as time permits.

### SERVICE UNCURTAILED

We, as others, have worked under difficulties during 1944. We have had broken schedules, due to a changing staff, extra work with the breaking in of new assistants. But we have carried on normally with the current work and have given the usual service to the public. Some things which should be done, but which such as a much needed inventory could wait, have had to be pushed aside. No fuel shortage or other circumstance has yet caused us to curtail our hours, as the neighboring library across the river was forced to do for two days a week last winter and again this year. We are giving our usual 84 hours of weekly service. Indeed if we did not, we would be breaking a tradition, as well as not living up to the wish of the donor of the library, as set down in our by-laws. But with a staff as small as is ours, this service is given not without considerable effort in

planning a schedule, and not without considerable personal sacrifice on the part of staff members who would like to spend Sundays and holidays especially with their families. To keep our library open every Sunday and holiday of the year (which is really extra service beyond that given by most libraries, either large or small) means 754 hours a year, or almost nineteen weeks of time for one assistant on the basis of a working week of 40 hours.

We have been able to make arrangements to continue our quarterly bulletin for the present, when it seemed early in the year that because of increased cost and time required to prepare it that it would have to be given up or greatly simplified. However, the end of the year found us up-to-date with all issues excepting the current December bulletin. We have had the cooperation of an energetic printer who secured for the September issue a publisher's ad of one page to help defray the cost. To all publishers who may cooperate in this new idea, we are grateful.

#### AS 1944 ENDS

The librarian extends her appreciation to the Press of both Fairhaven and New Bedford for their frequent aid,—to the School Department for fine cooperation,—to others who through gifts or service have contributed to the welfare of the Millicent Library.

There has been during the year an unusual spirit of united effort on the part of both the trustees and the staff to maintain and to increase the efficiency of the library. It is through the understanding of the Board of Trustees, through the kindly advice and support they have given the librarian, through the willing cooperation of the staff, that problems have been successfully solved. Looking back over the year's accomplishments, the librarian does so with a measure of satisfaction that we have given our best. As the year 1944 recedes into the background, 1945 is before us giving us new opportunities to serve the townspeople of Fairhaven.

Respectfully submitted,

AVIS M. PILLSBURY

Librarian

January 9, 1945.



# Statistical Report

## THE MILLICENT LIBRARY, FAIRHAVEN, MASS.

### American Library Association Form of Statistics.

#### Annual Report for the Year Ending December 31, 1944.

Name of Library—The Millicent Library.

Town—Fairhaven, Mass.

Librarian—Avis M. Pillsbury

Date of Founding—1893.

Population served (Census 1940)..... 10,985

Assessed valuation of town .....\$11,043,510

Terms of Use—Free for lending and reference.

Total number of agencies ..... 12

Consisting of—

Central Library

5 Stations (Oxford Branch, Oxford School Deposit, East  
Fairhaven School Deposit, Edmund Anthony School  
Deposit, High School Library)

6 Schools (15 classroom collections)

Number of days open during year (Central Library) ..... 366

Hours open each week for lending ..... 84

Hours open each week for reading ..... 84

### BOOK STOCK

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Volumes at beginning of year .....	36,055	7,322	43,377
Volumes added by purchase .....	642	481	1,123
Volumes added by gift .....	116	6	122
Volumes added by binding material not otherwise counted .....	50		50
Total volumes added .....	808	487	1,295
Volumes lost or withdrawn .....	357	518	875
Total volumes at end of year .....	36,506	7,291	43,797
Periodicals currently received (Titles 134, Copies 155)			
Publications issued (4 bulletins, 1 annual report)			



## USE

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Volumes of fiction loaned .....	37,999	19,247	57,246
Total volumes loaned .....	53,547	25,237	78,784
Percentage of fiction of total volumes loaned .....	70.96%	76.26%	72.66%
Circulation per capita .....			7.17
Circulation per registered borrower .....			27.18
Pictures, photographs, clippings, etc., loaned			448

## REGISTRATION

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Borrowers registered during year .....	660	331	991
Total of registered borrowers .....	1,812	1,086	2,898
Percent registered borrowers of population served			26.38%

Volumes placed in classroom collections are counted in circulation on the day they are moved from Central Library, and no complete record of use at the school is recorded.

**Table 1**                      **1944 DISTRIBUTION OF CIRCULATION**

	Fiction	Non-Fiction	Total	Grand Total	Total gain or loss over 1943	% Contribution to Total		
						Fiction	Non-Fiction	Total
<b>MAIN LIBRARY</b>								
Adult .....	33,910	13,188	47,098	62,185	— 3,236	58.1 %	20.84%	78.94%
Juvenile .....	10,058	3,208	13,266		— 127			
Dup. Pay .....	1,802	19	1,821		— 486			
Total .....								
<b>OXFORD BRANCH</b>								
Adult .....	1,704	686	2,390	4,853	— 406	4.6	1.55	6.15
Juvenile .....	1,925	538	2,463		+ 1,459			
Total .....								
<b>ANTHONY SCHOOL</b>								
Juvenile .....	1,765	803	2,568	2,568	— 690	2.24	1.02	3.26
<b>E. FAIRHAVEN SCHOOL</b>								
Juvenile .....	2,888	578	3,466	3,466	+	3.67	.73	4.4
<b>OXFORD SCHOOL</b>								
Juvenile .....	2,505	818	3,323	3,323	+	3.18	1.04	4.22
<b>HIGH SCHOOL</b>								
Adult .....	583	1,655	2,238	2,389	+	.87	2.16	3.03
Juvenile .....	106	45	151		+			
Total .....								
<b>TOTALS</b>								
Adult .....	37,999	15,548	53,547	78,784	— 4,103	48.23%	19.74%	67.97%
Juvenile .....	19,247	5,990	25,237		+ 1,296			
Grand Total .....	57,246	21,538	78,784		— 2,807			
Percent .....	72.66%	27.34%	100%	100%				
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Table 2

## CLASSIFIED BOOK STOCK

BOOK STOCK CHANGES IN 1944						TOTAL BOOK STOCK			
CLASS	ACCESSIONS			WITHDRAWALS			Adult	Juvenile	Total
	Adult	Juvenile	Total	Adult	Juvenile	Total			
*General works 000	89	2	91	1	5	6	2,545	115	2,660
Philosophy 100	13		13	1			740	12	752
Religion 200	26	6	32	1	19	20	1,100	94	1,194
Sociology 300	51	18	69	4	19	23	2,834	337	3,171
Language 400	8	16	24	2	46	48	230	180	410
Science 500	9	9	18	6	7	13	1,094	336	1,430
Useful arts 600	41	11	52	24	14	38	2,736	251	2,987
Fine arts 700	36	13	49	6	19	25	2,543	250	2,793
Literature 800	40	10	50	15	23	38	3,359	526	3,885
History 900	79	12	91	11	7	18	2,440	248	2,688
Travel 910-919	48	16	64	4	19	23	2,440	473	2,913
Biography B-920	69	22	91	5	6	11	3,365	304	3,669
Total non-fiction	509 (39.3%)	135 (10.4%)	644 (49.7%)	79	165	244	25,426 (58.05%)	3,126 (7.14%)	28,552 (65.19%)
Total fiction	299 (23.1%)	352 (27.2%)	651 (50.3%)	278	353	631	11,080 (25.3%)	4,165 (9.51%)	15,245 (34.81%)
GRAND TOTAL	808 (62.4%)	487 (28.6%)	1,295 (100%)	357	518	875	36,506 (83.35%)	7,291 (16.65%)	43,797 (100%)

\* Includes bound magazines

Table 3

## CIRCULATION 1944

CLASS	Main Library		Oxford Branch	Anthony School	B. Fairhaven School	Oxford School		High School	Dupli- cate Pay	Total Adult	Total Juvenile	Total
	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile	Juvenile	Juvenile	Juvenile	Adult	Adult	Adult	Juvenile	
1—Periodicals	3,618	141	587	8						4,205	149	4,354
2—General works	62	2	10	2		2				72	21	93
Philosophy	325	15	1			1		5		331	28	359
Religion	254	110	1	23	9	20		4		259	194	453
Sociology	821	390	3	27	52	76		20		844	664	1,508
Language	87	298		135	175	187				87	928	1,015
Science	355	246	4	64	73	135		52		411	603	1,014
Useful arts	1,352	389	10	83	27	100		100		1,462	705	2,167
Fine arts	768	341	9	40	15	36		27		804	496	1,300
Literature	1,304	436	10	54	107	83		603	5	1,917	766	2,683
History	1,429	169	16	19	31	91		109	1	1,554	389	1,943
Travel	1,148	288	20	48	71	72		112	1	1,280	531	1,811
Biography	1,630	376	15	35	18	15		623	19	2,287	508	2,795
Pamphlets	35	7								35	8	43
Total non-fiction	13,188	3,208	686	538	578	818		1,655	19	15,548	5,990	21,538
Fiction	33,910	10,058	1,704	1,925	2,888	2,505		583	1,802	37,999	19,247	57,246
GRAND TOTAL	47,098	13,266	2,390	2,463	3,466	3,323		2,238	1,821	53,547	25,237	78,784
		60,364		4,853				2,389				

1. Not accessioned  
2. Includes bound magazines

Pictures, clippings, etc. .... 392  
Stereoscopes ..... 56  
Total ..... 79,232

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